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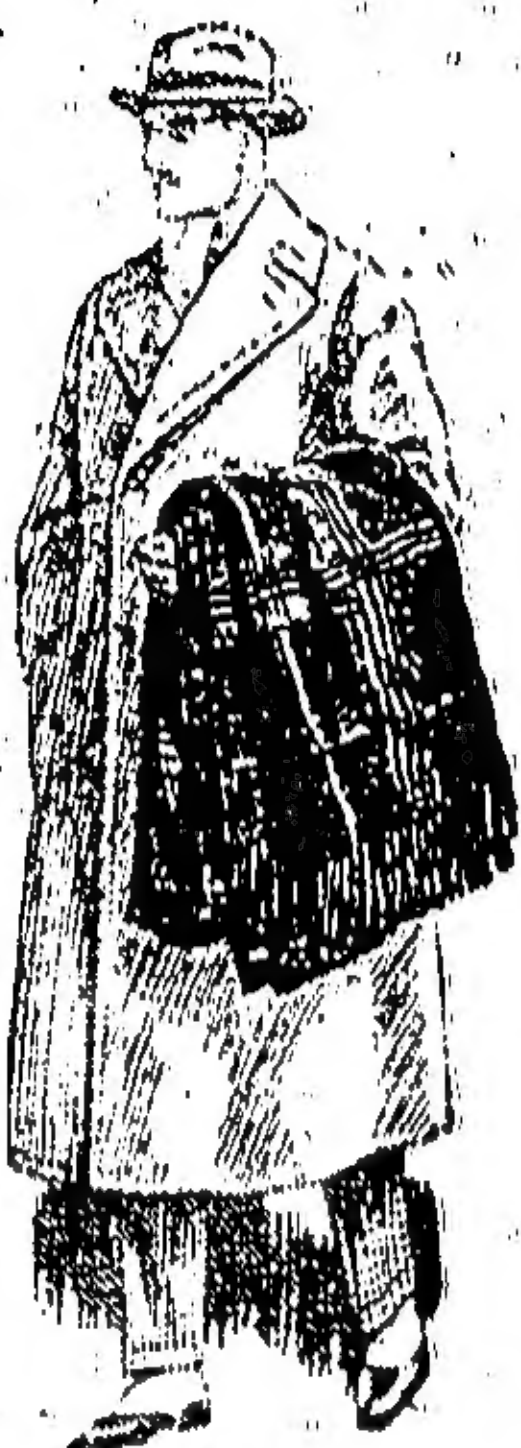


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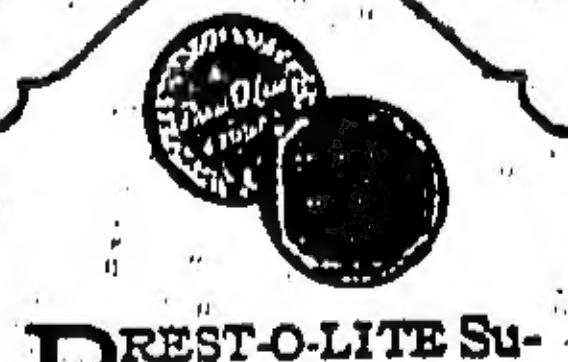
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FIRST WIRELESS TELEPHONE CALL.

A GREAT SUCCESS.

London, Jan. 7. The London-New York wireless telephone service was formally inaugurated to-day, the first message to be heard in New York being the chimes of St. Paul's striking a quarter to two sent through a special telephone fixed in the south tower of St. Paul's. Thereafter Sir George Murray, Secretary of the General Post Office, conversed with the President of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company; and the service was then opened to public use.—Reuter.

Expectations.

London, Jan. 7. A post office official said that the public wireless telephone service from London to New York progressed most satisfactorily. Ten calls were made in the first 1½ hours. He expected the service to continue till eleven o'clock in the evening. When the normal service is opened to-morrow calls will be taken between 1.30 to 6 p.m. The atmospheric conditions were very troublesome about sunset, and the engineers would not put a caller through unless they could guarantee a clear line.—Reuter.

OFFICIAL REPORT.

Heard Clearly on Both Sides.

Rugby, Jan. 7. The conversation between Sir Evelyn Murray, Secretary of the General Post Office in London and Mr. Walter Gifford, President of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company in New York, which inaugurated the British-American wireless telephone service, is stated officially to have been heard clearly on both sides and to have been on the whole fairly satisfactory.

London subscribers service who subsequently had a conversation with New York go far beyond than this and report complete satisfaction. A London newspaper director, who conversed with a New York newspaper proprietor for eight minutes, declares that not once had either to ask the other to repeat anything. "It was like speaking to London suburb, only much clearer."

Mr. Walter Gifford remarked: "Through the spoken word aided by personality of voice the people of New York and the people of London will become neighbours in a real sense, although separated by thousands of miles."

Sir Evelyn Murray recognised that difficulties still had to be overcome before the trans-Atlantic service could attain the standard of regularity and reliability which was aimed at. But he was convinced that there was no better means of solving these difficulties than by putting the service to the crucial test of daily use.

Greetings were exchanged by the new service between the Mayor of New York and the Lord Mayor of London. The Mayor of New York expressed his conviction that world commerce would be given an added impetus by this new channel of communication between the worlds of the two greatest commercial marts. The Lord Mayor of London said: "The city of London in its long history has been associated with many great events but none more wonderful than this in which, through means of modern science, two cities are brought within sound of each other's voice. For many years past the need for closer communications has been insisted upon as a means of developing the essential brotherhood of the English-speaking races and now as if by magic we have been brought, through the instrumentality of the telephone into that real touch that we all of us desire so much."

The service was opened at 1.45. Operators in New York actually

## SNATCHER CAUGHT.

THEFT OF "MALWA" LADY'S HANDBAG.

CHINESE BROKER, PRAISED.

Yet another bag snatcher has been brought to book. Mr. Fan Shiu-nam, a broker in the firm of Messrs. W. R. Loxley and Co., was congratulated by the Police Magistrate this morning on effecting the arrest of a snatcher who made off yesterday with property belonging to a lady passenger on board the P. and O. "Malwa," as she was taking a walk in town.

Mr. R. E. Lindsell observed that Mr. Fan was to be highly commended for his public spirit and it was a pity that there were not more like him.

Caught After Long Chase. Accused was not caught until after a long chase along Peel Street into Queen's Road Central and Hing Lung Street. Mr. Fan was in a rishia when he noticed the thief running, with Mrs. Rose Fischer in pursuit. He jumped out and held the fugitive until the Police arrived.

Mrs. Fischer had eight gold rings in her bag, as well as two purses, a silk scarf, valued at \$131, two \$1 notes, and a 50-sen Japanese coin.

His Worship imposed sentence of nine months' hard labour and twenty strokes of the birch. If prisoner is found medically unfit for the birching, he will serve an additional three months.

On the application of the Police yesterday, Mr. T. W. Ainsworth, the Kowloon Magistrate, remanded for a week the Chinese charged with snatching the handbag of Mrs. J. Barros Maher, a Portuguese lady, a few days ago, at the junction of Nathan and Jordan Roads.

The prosecution intends to ask for commitment to the Criminal Sessions.

## INDIAN FLIGHT.

LONDON TO KARACHI IN 11 DAYS.

Rugby, Jan. 7.

Sir Samuel Hoare is due to leave Karachi for Jodhpur to-day by the De Havilland Hercules biplane in which, in company with Lady Maud Hoare, he has flown from London in eleven days.

Preparations are being made for receiving Sir Samuel at Delhi to-morrow.

Lady Maud's flight is the longest yet undertaken by a woman.—British Wireless Service.

"Moths" Great Achievement.

Rugby, Jan. 7. The two small Moth aeroplanes are now within a single stage of India, having arrived from Jask at Charbar yesterday. Their flight from London is the most remarkable ever undertaken by low-powered machines.—British Wireless Service.

## GRENAD BOMBS.

THREE BENGALI YOUTHS ARRESTED.

Calcutta, Jan. 7.

Three Bengali youths have been arrested and remanded in connection with the discovery of thirteen "grenade" bombs, two revolvers, and ammunition in a house in Calcutta.—Reuter.

## PERAK POWER.

HYDRO-ELECTRIC CO.'S MANAGER.

London, Jan. 7.

Mr. John Ferguson, electrical engineer of the East Indian Railway, has been appointed General Manager of the Perak River Hydro-Electric Power Company in Malaya.—Reuter.

## THE WEATHER.

North-west winds, fresh; fine—is the official weather forecast till noon to-morrow for Hong Kong, the adjacent coast and Formosa Channel.

heard first of all not a human voice but the bells of St. Paul's Cathedral chiming the time. A special telephone had been fixed for the purpose in the south tower of the Cathedral.—British Wireless Service.

## "UP TO" CHEN.

Promise to Maintain Law and Order.

POSITION IN HANKOW.

British Action Endorsed At Home.

London, Jan. 7. Authoritative circles in London consider the promises of Mr. Eugene Chen to maintain law and order in the British Concession in Hankow as an asset. The opinion is expressed that it is "up to" Mr. Chen to prove that the Cantonese Nationalist movement is law-abiding and worthy recognition.

## SITUATION TENSE.

Banking, Business Closed Down.

Shanghai, Jan. 8.

A message from Hankow, dated 1 p.m., Jan. 7, states that the situation is most tense. Business with Banks has totally closed down in spite of Nationalist assurances as to the keeping of law and order.

Further developments are anxiously awaited.

Reuter's correspondent, with others, is confined to A.P.C. premises by pickets but they expect to be liberated very shortly.

The situation at the other concessions is not clear though the evacuation of women with children is advised.—Reuter.

tion by the Powers; therefore some confidence is felt that he will carry out his undertaking.

It is understood that the higher authorities in London entirely approve of the action taken in Hankow, which was taken on the entire responsibility of the local British authorities who are competent authorities. They express the opinion that they acted wisely in choosing the alternative of an attack by a mob with Cantonese troops protecting the British to a possible attack by a mob aided by Cantonese troops.—Reuter.

## U.S. OPINION.

Tribute to British Tact.

New York, Jan. 7.

The whole Press is following with intense interest the dramatic developments in China, to which even Mexico and Nicaragua take a second place. The remarkable tact and forbearance of the British naval authorities in most difficult circumstances are emphasised on all sides. The majority of the newspapers point out that the Hankow disturbances are a strange commentary on the liberal tone of the recent British memorandum.

The "Herald-Tribune" says: "The State Department has been reserving its answer to the British Note and by a curious coincidence the riots broke out almost at the moment when the Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives was introducing a resolution which would orient American policy more or less in the British direction. The resolution will now be examined in the lurid light of Hankow. Intervention looms more and more large as the tale of the incidents mounts up."—Reuter's American Service.

## AMERICAN ADMIRAL.

Ordered To Go to Shanghai.

Washington, Jan. 7.

Admiral C. S. Williams, Commander-in-Chief of the Asiatic Fleet, has been ordered to Shanghai "to observe and report on conditions."

Navy Secretary Wilbur said that Admiral Williams would use his own judgment in regard to the number of ships he would take with him.—Reuter's American Service.

## NO REASON FOR PANIC.

But Americans Will Evacuate

Hankow, Jan. 8.

Mr. Eugene Chen met the leading Americans at three o'clock

## ART TRIUMPH.

FLEMISH AND BELGIAN EXHIBITION.

WORTH \$15,000,000.

Rugby, Jan. 7.

At Royal Academy to-day private view was held of exhibition of Flemish and Belgian art organised by Anglo-Belgian Art Union. There are 764 exhibits and they include paintings, sketches, drawings, and pieces of sculpture. They are not confined to one period; for in fifteen rooms and galleries there are works by artists of the Flemish school of the year 1400 and by artists of all periods down to the post-war era.

An official expressed the opinion that if the exhibits came into market at least \$15,000,000 sterling would be realised. They have been assembled from Belgium, Holland, France, and United States as well as this country. King George has sent seven pictures from Royal Palaces; the King of the Belgians has lent Bruckers' "Antwerp Cathedral," and many British noblemen have contributed. The exhibition is declared to be a triumph.—British Wireless Service.

this afternoon to discuss the position. He assured them that there was no reason for panic, declaring that the Nationalist Government could control the situation.

Later the majority of the American community decided to evacuate.

A meeting with the British with a similar object was a fiasco, only one person attending besides Mr. Goffe. Only one feeling prevailed here, namely, utter lack of confidence.—Reuter.

## Troops Watch Constable.

Shanghai, Jan. 8.

A Japanese report from Hankow dated Thursday, says that the flag is not flying at the British Consulate-General. From this morning the Consulate premises are being watched by Chinese troops, and the Consul-General is staying therein.

British residents still in Hankow are taking refuge in the Hong Kong Bank and A.P.C. buildings, which also are being watched by Chinese troops and pickets.

The British Concession is at present being governed by a Committee five selected from members of the local Kuomintang.—Reuter.

## LOCAL REPORTS.

"Evacuation is Completed."

"Evacuation is completed" states a Naval wireless message received in Hong Kong from Hankow.

In Kiukiang also, all have been evacuated, according to Naval wireless messages. The Consulate there has been officially sealed. The British flag has been hauled down, and committed to the care of the Chinese military authorities.

This morning, the new Admiral, Sir Reginald York Tyrwhitt, left for Nanking by H.M.S. "Despatch."

Naval authorities are unable to confirm rumours that the British forces have landed at Hankow and that the Concession has again been taken over by arrangement. [Nanking is near the mouth of Yangtze River, above Shanghai, but below Kiukiang. It is the capital of Kiangsu province and some distance below Hankow.]

## "INTOLERABLE."

Looting General at Kiukiang.

Shanghai, Jan. 8.

A Kiukiang message of yesterday states: "The position is absolutely intolerable, looting being general, mostly by soldiers."

The authorities are utterly unable to control the situation.

The British Concession has been evacuated. All the British are safe on board the gunboats.—Reuter.

## EARLIER CABLES.

"A Word to Mr. Chen."

London, Jan. 7.

The "Daily News," in "A word to Mr. Chen," hopes that he will make good his pledge to "keep the situation in hand." There is (Continued on Page 12.)

## CRACKERS.

REGULATIONS FOR CHINESE NEW YEAR.

USUAL FORMALITY.

In view of the approaching Chinese New Year, it is notified that, in accordance with Ordinance No. 43 of 1888, permission is given for crackers to be fired as follows:—

Within these portions of the City of Victoria and the Kowloon Peninsula bounded by the following limits:—

(1.) City of Victoria. South.—Bonham Road. North.—The Praya. West.—Western Street. East.—Sai Street and Morrison Street.

(2.) Queen's Road East from Royal Naval Hospital entrance to Kennedy Road, by Kennedy Road to a line running through Hing Wan Street; down Stone Nullah Lane to Wanchai Road and Tai Wo Street to Praya East, along Praya East to Burrows Street and by Burrows Street to Cross Lane to the Gas Works, by Wanchai Road to Wanchai Market, both sides of the street are included in these limits.

(3.) Kowloon Peninsula. All the area south of Austin Road.

On Tuesday, the 1st February, from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.; and on Wednesday, the 2nd February, from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. On Tuesday, the 8th February, from 6 a.m. to 8 a.m.

Within those portions of the City of Victoria and the Kowloon Peninsula (South of a line running from the junction of Nanking Street and Temple Street, Yaumati, to the boundary of Kowloon Marine Lot No. 40) not comprised in the above limits, with the exception hereafter mentioned:—

From 4 p.m. on Tuesday, the 1st February, till 4 p.m. on Thursday, the 3rd February, and on Tuesday, the 8th February, from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m.

No cracker-firing will be permitted in Ice House Street, Duddell Street, on the lanes leading out of Duddell Street for a distance of 80 yards from Queen's Road. Cracker-firing is to be strictly confined to the times named above, both within and without the prescribed area; and both sides of all streets, or parts of streets named as the boundaries above, are to be considered as within the prescribed area.

No burning crackers or other fire is to be thrown above the be carried on in the vicinity of mable material, and all reasonable precaution must be taken against accident, as every one is liable for damage arising from his carelessness.

The firing of crackers is not to be by detonation, or which contain places of Christian Worship during Divine Service.

Attention is drawn to Government Notification No. 298 of the 8th July, 1921. No person shall make, sell, or have in his possession any fireworks which explode by detonation, or which contain any explosive ingredient or mixture other than black gunpowder, charcoal, sulphur and saltpetre.

The Police have strict orders to summon or arrest persons firing crackers in contravention of the foregoing restrictions.

The firing of Bombs, "Electric" crackers and "Golden Coin" crackers is strictly prohibited.

## DYNAMITE STOLEN.

Dynamite fuses and detonators valued at \$40 were stolen from a building contractor's matshed at Aberdeen village yesterday by robbers armed with revolvers.

The microreants are believed to be fishermen who wanted the explosives for fishing operations.

## KAILAN MINING ADMINISTRATION.

The total output of the Administration's mines for the week ended December 28 amounted to 88,764 tons, and the sales during this period to 58,440 tons.

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Hongkong, 21st April 1926.

COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

BETTER TONE. MORE ENQUIRY FOR LOCAL SHARES.

WEEKLY REVIEW.  
Messrs. Moxon and Taylor in their weekly share report state:—  
Hong Kong, Jan. 7.

Our market opened with a better tone and more enquiry for most Stocks which was maintained throughout the week under review.

Shanghai market is quiet. The following are the principal alterations since last week:—  
Banks:—Were quiet with a few sales at \$1.115/20 and no further sellers at the moment.

Unions:—Also continued quiet, a small number of shares having changed hands at \$2.90.

Canton:—Insurances & Hong Kong Fires:—Maintain their firm position and have buyers but no sellers at quotations.

Trams:—Firmed up during the week and sales were effected at \$2.2 1/2 at which price there are still buyers.

Hong Kong Hotels:—A few sales took place at \$3 with sellers now asking \$3 1/2 without attracting further buyers.

China Providents:—Are weaker with sellers at \$5.

China Lights:—Continue neglected.

Douglases:—Have firmed up to a buying rate of \$29, but sellers seem disinclined to let go at this price.

Steamboats:—A small amount of business was put through at \$25, but sellers are now holding out for \$26.

Dairy Farms:—Come in for no attention from buyers during the week.

Wharves:—After the recent decline are now meeting with some demand at \$113.

Docks:—Are unchanged, with sellers at \$45.

Electric:—Were in good demand with buyers and sales at \$57.

London Quotations of the 6th inst.:—Banks \$114 10s.; Indos Defd. \$4 12s. 6d.; Shells \$4 15s., all middle prices.

Exchange:—The demand rate on London is 1/11 7/16 and the T.T. on Shanghai is 7s. 30/4.

Next Settlement Day is Tuesday, January 25.

OIL FROM COAL.

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COLONY'S WATER. STORAGE WELL ABOVE LAST YEAR.

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With the exception of Tytam Eyewash all reservoirs are equal with or above the levels last year.

The consumption during the month averaged 19.3 gallons per head per day as compared with 18.4 last year.

There was a full supply in all the main districts last year up to December 8, and an intermittent supply in all other districts from December 9 to December 31, 1926; comparing with a full supply in all other districts during December last year, with the exception of the districts West of Eastern Street where an intermittent supply was given from December 4 to December 31.

In Kowloon, the storage was 408.45 million gallons as compared with 262.60 million gallons last year.

The consumption on the Peninsula has also increased (from 14.4 gallons per head per day to 15.3).

There was a full supply during December 1925 and 1926.

BANK NOTES.

Returns of the average amount of Bank Notes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hong Kong, during the month ended December 31, 1926, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks:—

Average Specie Amount. In Reserve.

Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China: \$15,912,909 5,800,000

Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation: 50,842,258 35,700,000

Mercantile Bank of India, Ltd.: 1,780,584 580,000

Total: \$68,535,751 42,080,000

In addition Sterling Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at \$1,254,100.

In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents and Straits Government valued at \$3,108,097.

In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at \$130,000.

MANCHESTER GOODS.

London, Dec. 9.

There has been rather more inquiry in the piece goods market, but actual business shows little expansion.

There are many complaints that nothing is heard of business after a price has once been given, and, indeed, the proportion which offers bear to inquiries has been very low, but this is probably owing in part to the irregularity of quotations, which has been a feature of the week.

Most of the overseas markets—not excepting China—have been busily asking for prices, but there is no more apparent inclination to buy, and it is suggested that houses on the other side are keeping in touch with quotations in order to assess the value of their stocks, for inquiry has covered a very wide range of cloths.—China Express & Telegraph.

SYDNEY'S TRADE.

Sydney, Dec. 2.

According to figures supplied by the Sydney Harbour Trust imports into Sydney from overseas during the four months ended October 31 were, in volume, 608,198 tons, and in value \$22,768,841, thus showing a substantial increase in per ton value from \$34.11s. 9d. to \$37.7s. 7d., over the figures for the corresponding period last year, when the volume was 545,183 tons, and the value was \$45,183 tons, and the value for Customs purposes \$18,859,857.

Transshipments amounted to 57,382 tons, as compared with 57,694 tons. Imports from other States for the period amounted to \$45,805 tons, valued at \$9,091,441, as against 260,285 tons, of the value of \$7,002,296 in the same four months of 1925-26.

Reminder: extraordinary meeting of the Peak Tramways Co. Ltd. at the Hong Kong Hotel at 11 a.m. on Monday.

Some valuable household furniture will be auctioned by Messrs. Lamart Bros. at 632, the Peak (at Magazine Gate) at 2.45 p.m. on Friday next.

TOBACCO PROFITS.

Carreras Limited, the tobacco company whose products include Black Cat, Graven, and Turf, reports a profit of \$98,410,000, and announces a final dividend, making 50 per cent. tax-free for the year, and a share bonus of 50 per cent.

Mr. Bernhard Baron, the head of the company, is again celebrating his birthday—he is 74—by giving the company's 2,500 employees a week's extra salary and a cake each.

The \$100 invested less than five years ago has now become \$4.166.

Mr. Baldwin, in a letter to Commander Gaunt, Conservative candidate at the Central Hull by-election, deprecates the "suicidal policy of industrial disputes." It is vital for the prosperity of all classes, he says, that this policy should cease, and that all should unite in a vigorous effort to restore the damage caused by recent attempts to put into practice the principles of the Socialist and Communist parties.

Mr. Baldwin points to recent coal negotiations as an illustration of the way in which well-tried trade union leaders who believe in peace are openly flouted by men of extreme views.

The Superintendent of the Lancashire and Western Sea Fisheries District, in his report for the quarter ending 30th September, 1926, states that the weight of sea fish landed in the district shows a considerable decrease when compared with the corresponding quarter for 1925.

The decline is from 865,599 cwt. in September quarter 1925, to 273,632 cwt. in 1926. The difficulties of getting coal and the high prices asked for it have necessitated the laying-up of a number of steam trawlers, and at the end of the quarter an appreciable part of the local fleet was laid up.

MARKING IMPORTED GOODS.

The President of the New Zealand Association of British Manufacturers says that it is the duty of the Government to help people to discover British manufactures among articles for sale by insisting on the country of origin being marked on all importations. This would prevent the sale of unmarked foreign goods. The use of the word "British" should be confined to goods from the British Isles.

Messrs. Dorman, Long and Co. have restarted operations at their Britannia Steel Works, Middlesbrough.

HONG KONG MARKET PRODUCE.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

Butcher Meat.

Dec. 31, June, June, 1926, 1918, 1914.

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Beef Sirloin 牛尾 28 24 12  
Prime Cut 28 24 12  
Corned 28 24 12  
Roast 28 24 12  
Brasat 24 20 18  
Soup 24 20 18  
Steak 28 24 12  
Stoak Sirloin 45 30 35  
Sausages 40 25 20  
Bullock's Brains 牛腰 25 10 12  
Tongue, fresh 牛腰 60 50 60  
Tongue, corned 牛腰 120 120 120  
Head 牛腰 24 13 14  
Heart 牛腰 24 13 14  
Hump, Salt 牛腰 15 34 20 13  
Feet 牛腰 12 10 12  
Kidneys 牛腰 15 10 12  
Tail 牛腰 25 20 22  
Liver 牛腰 24 18 14  
Tripe 牛腰 8 6 7  
Calves' Head & Feet 牛腰 120 120 120  
Mutton Chop 牛腰 50 28 12  
Leg 牛腰 60 28 12  
Shoulder 牛腰 45 24 12  
Saddle 牛腰 40 24 12  
Pigs' Chittlings 猪腰 40 24 12  
Brains 猪腰 15 12 10  
Feet 猪腰 15 12 10  
Fry 猪腰 20 15 18  
Head 猪腰 18 20 12  
Heart 猪腰 14 10 10  
Kidneys 猪腰 13 10 8  
Liver 猪腰 50 30 24  
Fork Chop 猪腰 38 25 23  
Leg 猪腰 40 24 12  
Loin 猪腰 45 30 20  
Fat or Lard 猪腰 28 21 12  
Sheep's Head & Feet 羊腰 90 60 70  
Heart 羊腰 12 8 7  
Kidneys 羊腰 15 12 10  
Liver 羊腰 50 26 25  
Sucking Pigs, to order 猪腰 15 25 22  
Suet, Beef 猪腰 80 20 18  
Mutton 猪腰 50 26 28  
Veal 猪腰 38 20 19  
Sausages 猪腰 40 20 20  
No. 1.

Fish.

Barbel 24 19 24  
Bream 15 20 18  
Canton Fresh 21 18 16  
Water Fish (水) 18 16 27  
Carp 24 12 9  
Catfish 24 20 25  
Codfish 24 20 25  
Crabs 22 18 28  
Cuttle Fish 75 28 16  
Dab 14 10 9  
Dace 16 10 8  
Dog Fish 37 16 11  
Eels, Conger 38 10 13  
Fresh Water 44 28 30  
Yellow 40 22 25  
Grouper 82 40 30  
Gudgeon 28 18 15  
Herrings 22 22 18  
Halibut 28 18 23  
Labrus 20 22 18  
Loach 45 22 24  
Lobsters 56 32 21  
Mackerel 30 20 26  
Monk Fish 28 22 23  
Mullet 34 13 2  
Oysters 32 16 22  
Parrot Fish 24 14 9  
Perch 28 20 15  
Pike 15 16 9  
Plaice 45 28 14  
Pomfret, Black 44 28 29  
Pomfret, White 52 36 30  
Prawns 12 25 36 45  
Ray 17 10 14  
Rock Fish 28 13 12  
Roach 36 22 16  
Salmon 78 38 30  
Shark 13 8 10  
Skate 20 10 10  
Shrimps 77 28 58  
Snapper 34 35 30  
Sole 43 28 28  
Tench 35 20 13  
Turbot 33 13 13  
Tuna, small, Tr. water 32 13 13

HONGKONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting Machine, which includes 47 components for the best prediction of tides from the results of the analysis of the tidal observations taken at the Kaituma tidal observatory under the direction of Dr. Doberck during the years 1887, 1888, and 1889.

The times and heights are given for Kaituma; but they may be used for the Victoria Naval yard and Aberdeen; the differences being very small.

The times of high and low-water must not be considered to coincide with the times of slack-water and change of current, the two phenomena being quite distinct.

January 7 to 13, 1927.

DATE HIGH WATER LOWER WATER

Jan. Standard Times. Standard Times.

Fri. 7 1 34 4.4 m 6.18 0.5  
Sat. 8 11 38a 4.7 m 7.08 3.3  
Sun. 9 m 0 31 7.1 m 7.59 1.3  
Mon. 10 3 45 8.7 m 8.45 3.7  
Tue. 11 3 11 5.5 m 9.48 3.2  
Wed. 12 m 4 45 5.4 m 10.48 2.7  
Thurs. 13 m 6 12 4.1 m 11.51 3.0

PRODUCE.

Dec. 31, June, June, 1926, 1918, 1914.

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Chicken 55 30 31  
Capons, Small 45 28 30  
Capons, Large 50 28 30  
Duck 85 22 21  
Doves 22 21  
Eggs, Hen (cooking) 35 25 20  
Eggs, Hen (fresh) 35 25 20  
Fowls, Canton 75 36 24  
Fowls, Hainan 45 36 24  
Geese 55 34 24  
Pigeons, Canton 55 30 18  
Pigeons, Hainan 55 30 18  
Turkeys, Canton 65 31 15  
Turkeys, Hainan 65 31 15  
Snipe 85 25 12  
Pheasant 85 25 12  
Quail 85 25 12  
Partridges 85 25 12

Fruits.

Almonds 68 35 12  
Apples (California) 22 24 12  
Bananas (bridge) 5 4 12  
Carambola 12 10 10  
Coconuts 14 10 10  
Lemons, China 10 7 0  
Lemons (America) 10 7 0  
Lichees, Dried 82 25 30  
Oranges (Canton) 12 12 12  
Oranges 14 12 12  
Pears (Canton) 14 12 12  
Peanuts 18 10 12  
Persimmons, Large 12 12 12  
Plantain 4 3 4  
Pumpkin, Siam 15 12 6  
Walnuts 18 12 15  
Grapes 60 12 12

Vegetables, &c.

Artichokes 12 12 12  
Beans, Sprout 15 8 7  
Long 15 8 7  
Beet Root 12 8 8  
Bitter Squash 12 8 8  
Brinjals, Green 8 5 9  
Rad 8 5 9  
Cabbage, Chinese 8 5 12  
(Shanghai) 18 12 12  
Cane Shoots, bunch 12 12 12  
Cauliflower (Large) 12 12 12  
(Medium) 12 12 12  
(Small) 12 12 12  
Carrots 8 6 6  
Celery, Chinese 12 10 6  
Chillies, Dried 12 12 12  
Red 25 10 16  
Green 20 8 12  
Curry Stuff, English 10 8 12  
Cucumbers 8 3 12  
Garlic 8 3 12  
Ginger, Young 10 7 12  
Old 9 10 12  
Horseradish, Shanghai 25 8 4  
Indian Corn 9 45 12  
Lettuce 8 1 12  
Water Chestnuts 10 12 12  
Mandarin 12 12 12  
Mushrooms, Fresh 12 12 12  
Okros 14 10 10  
Onions, Bombay 8 8 8  
Green 8 4 6  
Shanghai 8 4 6  
Parsley 8 3 12  
Potato, Sweet 8 3 12  
Japanese 8 3 12  
American 8 3 12  
Pumpkin 8 4 6  
Radish 8 3 12  
Rhubarb (Fresh) 10 12 12  
Shallots 12 12 12  
Spinach 8 3 12  
Tomatoes 8 3 12  
Turnips 8 3 12  
Turnips, French (Long) 8 3 12  
Vegetable Marrow 8 3 12  
Water Cress 8 3 12  
Water Lily Root 8 3 12



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### NOTICE.

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E. R. HALLIFAX,  
Secretary for Chinese Affairs.  
Hong Kong, 8th January, 1927.

HONG KONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.

DINNER DANCE.  
8—12 p.m. Jan. 21st 1927.

MEMBERS may book their tickets on and after MONDAY, 10th inst. at Messrs. Moutrie's, where a plan of the seating arrangements may be seen.

## HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

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SATURDAY, 8th January, at 9.15 p.m.

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## NOTICES.

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(St. David's Society, Hong Kong.)

THE President and Members of the Committee of the Society will be AT HOME to all members of the Society and their Welsh friends at the Chamber of Commerce Room, City Hall on TUESDAY, 11th January, 1927, 5.30—7.30 p.m.

G. S. HUGH-JONES,  
Acting Hon. Secretary,  
9, Queen's Road Central,  
Hong Kong, 8th January, 1927.

THE NATIONAL CITY BANK  
of  
NEW YORK.

### ANNOUNCEMENT

EFFECTIVE first January 1927, the Hong Kong branch of the International Banking Corporation will be operated as a branch of The National City Bank of New York. The change in name will involve no change in personnel or staff, or operation of the branch. The stock of the International Banking Corporation has since the year 1915 been owned by The National City Bank of New York and it is now desirable from an operating standpoint to make the change in name above referred to. With the increase in its capital stock which will take place at the annual meeting of its stock holders on January 11, 1927, the capital, surplus, and undivided profits of The National City Bank of New York will be approximately \$140,000,000.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD. will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong on THURSDAY, the 20th day of January, 1927, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings of an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held at the same place on TUESDAY, the 4th day of January, 1927, and to confirm, if thought fit, as a Special Resolution the following:—

"That the regulations contained in the printed document submitted to the Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be approved and adopted as the Articles of Association of the Company in substitution for and to the exclusion of all existing Articles thereof, save that in the proposed new Article '87 the number of Directors be increased from seven to nine and in the proposed new Article 89 the remuneration of \$7,000.00 per annum be increased to \$9,000.00 per annum."

A copy of the proposed new Articles of Association of the Company with the alterations, amendments and differences between the existing and new Articles incorporated and indicated in red ink can be seen during the usual business hours at the Registered Office of the Company aforesaid.

Dated the 4th day of January, 1927.

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WANG LEE CO.  
Hong Kong, Dec. 21, 1926.

## NOTICES.

PEAK TRAMWAYS CO., LTD.

SHAREHOLDERS are reminded that the EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company of which notice has already been given will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel on January 10th, 1927, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of confirming the Special Resolution which was passed at the same place and time on MONDAY, the 20th day of December, 1926.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers.  
Hong Kong, 5th January, 1927.

### HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ENTRIES for the Forthcoming Races close on SATURDAY, 22nd January, 1927, at 3 p.m. and must be sent to the Secretary, c/o Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings, on or before this date. Entry Forms are now ready and can be had at the Jockey Club Stables, Race Course, Hong Kong Club or Linstead & Davis.

Hong Kong, 7th January, 1927.

THE HONG KONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD. on THURSDAY, 27th January, 1927, at noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926. The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, 14th January to THURSDAY, 27th January, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
L. S. GREENHILL,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 6th January, 1927.

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## THE NEW OUTLOOK. BANDITS EXECUTED.

### THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY LECTURE.

#### NATURE OF EDUCATION.

At this week's public meeting of the Hong Kong Lodge of The Theosophical Society, held on Thursday, Mr. John Russell, F.T.S., gave an address on "The New Outlook." He said in brief:—

The world is at the end of one Age, and at the beginning of a New Age, the age of practical brotherhood, when all mankind will know themselves as a family, and the law of brotherhood will be the law of human society. And it will be clear to every thoughtful observer that it is to the young that we must turn for the effective shaping of that New Age. But their power to shape that New Age will very largely depend upon the nature of the education they receive.

#### Sharing in Happiness.

Already they are showing susceptibilities to high ideals; are breathing great aspirations, but we have still those, who are elders, to perform for them the duty of not cramming them in their education; of giving them freedom to show out the new qualities which they have brought with them through the gateway of birth, which will make them citizens of a great and noble type, self-sacrificing rather than grasping, co-operative rather than competitive, having learnt to use strength for the helping of their younger brethren in the all-human family and not only for their own ends.

It is the young who will build a better Society, who will understand the causes of poverty and eliminate them until they see all around them sharing in the possibilities of happiness, which are now restricted too much to the few.

Things do not really come with a sudden jump. People are rather blind to the signs that are not manifest on the surface.

If we study the world conditions of to-day, there are, amidst the old civilisation crumbling into ruins, many hopeful signs which presage the beginning of the New Age.

#### Youth's Great Federation.

I just mention that great movement of young people all over the world known as the "World Federation of Youth," which is in all the countries of the World joined by young people who have realised the necessity of world-brotherhood, of world-service and of world-peace and who passionately desire to work for these great ideals, for in their hearts the young amongst us have realised that we are all one human family, and that the sufferings and misery of one, are really a drawback for humanity, hence the new ideal of world citizenship, for the welfare of all, beyond the petty national, racial and social limitations. The New Age proclaims every one religion as "man's search for God," that they differ from each other merely in the outer form and shape, but everyone of them conveys fundamentally the same eternal truths, although adapted to the needs of the time when the World Teacher comes, and adapted also to the one special aspect of divine perfection which every religion and the new civilisation founded upon it are intended to develop.

#### Child's Inherent Gifts.

In education we also see great changes taking place. It is being recognised now that the best education would be that which gives the child the fullest opportunity of expressing itself and its inherent natural gifts. Instead of being made to express and to grow into a ready-made pattern, which fetters its soul. That education is best which increases the speed of this evolution by growing, as much as is possible during this life period, in everything that increases his good and noble qualities, and eliminates the lower qualities of the personal self. He will then become a good citizen, fit to live in the society of his fellows, and to bear his share of the common burden.

#### Culture and Refinement.

We see in Ancient Athens and Rome before their downfall the same high ideal of citizenship, but the culture, the refinement, the art and the wonderful order of life of the Athenians, and Romans, was on the ignoring of the rights of citizenship of large masses of their subjected fellow-men; and therefore education in right citizenship with its rights and duties for all is the sign of the New Age. Whether you welcome it or not, an enormous change is coming over the social horizon.

It is sometimes called Democracy, but Democracy itself needs to be defined. In any case it is going to be a society, where

### CAPTURES BY CANTON'S GUNBOATS.

#### GOVERNMENT EXPEDITION.

A gang of ten bandits has been seized together with their boat by the Canton gunboats "Chung Shan" and "Mansang," under the command of the vice-commander of the 18th Division and sent by the Naval Department, to suppress the activities of bandits. Another junk which belonged to another gang of bandits was captured and about 40 bandits were executed.

#### Seizure of Arms.

Over a score of robbers, belonging to a large gang by name of "Wo Tung Tong," who have made a living by plundering the inhabi-



Barbara Sands, granddaughter of Mrs. William Vanderbilt, Senior, eloped and married Lieutenant George R. Burgess.

tants in the neighbourhood of Ching Ping Bridge, were arrested by a large troop of police detectives and soldiers, led by Captain Hung. Large quantities of pistols and daggers possessed by the gang were seized.

Two days later, another member of the gang was arrested for stealing a passer-by's purse.

The remainder of the gang have now dispersed.

co-operation shall take the place of competition, where mutual assistance shall take the place of the more capable, of the stronger, gaining an unfair advantage over the weaker. It is going to be remodelled on the ideal of the family and not of the isolated man, who is an individual, fighting for his own ends, and thinking of his rights more than of his duties.

#### Nature & Equality.

We have to learn and to understand the fact that all the products that nature brings forth are different in their power, in their qualities, in their characteristics.

Nature does not give us equality, neither physically, morally, or spiritually. Yet, there is true equality when we come to the Spirit of Man, man's essential divine nature, for in that we find the One-ness with all men, for we are equally Divine, in their possibilities and final goal of perfection. But in the vehicles in which that Spirit clothes itself, everywhere there is the mark of non-equality and difference.

#### The Best Opportunity.

We Theosophists say, as ever the original deeper teachings of all the religions of the world have said, that the real cause of all these inequalities is the fact of re-incarnation, unequal unfolding in past existences, and that some souls are very much older in their greater life than others, when you consider as their true age the number of lives through which they have passed in this greater life.

Therefore the best of opportunity should be given to everyone in accordance with his capacities to gather all the experience necessary in a given life to grow in time into the full stature of Divine Perfection.

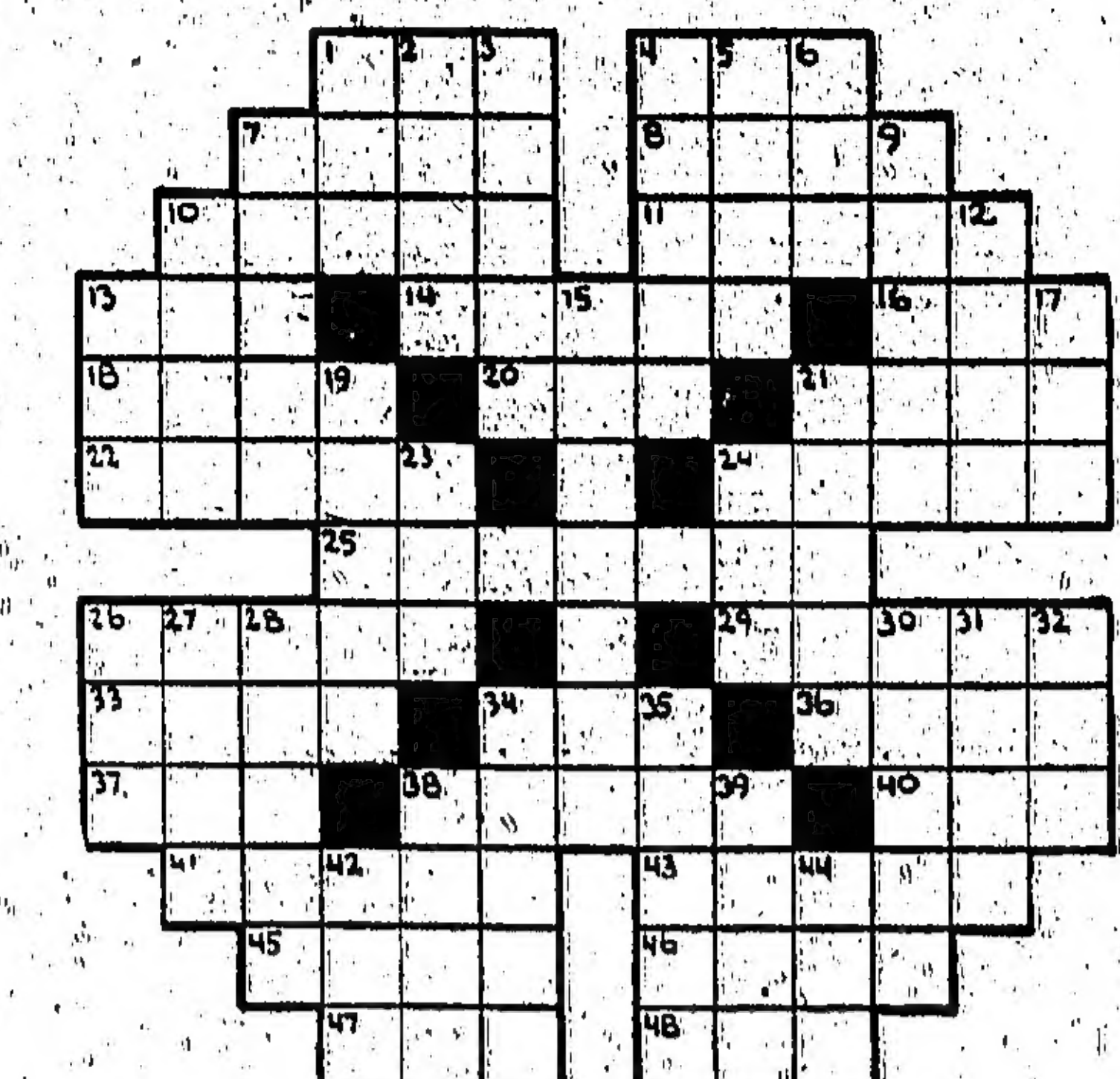
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## OUR CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(The cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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HORIZONTAL	HORIZONTAL (Cont.)	VERTICAL (Cont.)
1-Mist	36-Dinner times	15-Highest part
2-Pig-pen	37-A small portion	16-Perilous
3-To row or drag	38-Urlike vessels	17-Nickname for Edward
4-Care	40-A turn-out: equipage	19-Stream
5-Not so good	41-Lassoes	21-Coin
6-Ranked	42-Ascended	22-Cover
7-Light brown	43-Oblique	24-Title of address
8-A tall candle	44-Walked	26-Unusual
9-Large commercial vehicle	47-To be busy	27-Abrade
10-Scout	48-Cut with an axe	28-A very wealthy man
11-Innards	VERTICAL	30-Warlike
12-Mud	1-Distant	31-Ancient name of Ireland
13-Danger	2-Put out by force	32-Limb
14-Provided with a sole	3-Fragment	34-Inconsiderate
15-Soundred	4-Rip	35-Bed in a Pullman
16-Possessed	5-Still	36-Calf meat
17-To resist authority	6-Integrity	38-A father
18-Beloved	7-Dancer	42-A soft drink
19-Nickname for "Boston"	10-To walk in water	44-To plant seed
	12-Risk	

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES  
Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. There will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn will give others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

## LAMMERT BROS.

AUCTIONEERS, APPRAISERS AND SURVEYORS.

### Public Auctions

The undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

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SEATTLE MARU Tuesday, 25th January.

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SEKKOW MARU End of January.

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## BRITAIN'S NEW BATTLESHIPS.

The two new British battleships "Rodney" and "Nelson" which are to enter service this year will be extraordinary-looking craft.

In the new issue of "Jane's Fighting Ships" (edited by Dr. Oscar Parkes and Mr. F. E. McMurtrie, published by Sampson Low to-day, 42s.) the first authentic photographs as yet released by the Admiralty are reproduced.

They show that the heavy guns will be carried in three triple turrets (each mounting three 15in. guns) forward. A great armoured structure, for all the world like the keep of a medieval castle, rises amidships, and has replaced the old-fashioned conning tower.

When completed they will be unusually ugly vessels. Dr. Parkes is further able in this exceptionally fine issue of "Fighting Ships" to give a photograph and drawings of the new British armoured cruisers of 10,000 tons. They are distinctly disappointing in comparison with new United States ships of the same size, of which also for the first time particulars are given.

The British ships carry eight 8in. and four 4in. guns; the American ten 8in. and six 5in. The British boilers and machinery are apparently of normal type, whereas in the American vessels extra high pressures are adopted.

## U.S. Adopt British Style.

One remarkable change in the appearance of the older United States battleships is recorded. The basket-mast is being abandoned and replaced by tripod masts which are virtually of the British pattern. The change has already been carried out in the "Texas."

A direction in which the American Navy has gone fast ahead is in the development of aircraft fittings. Thus the new cruisers carry each two catapults for launching seaplanes, of which two are provided. They can be released by this means at a speed of 60 miles an hour.

"Fighting ships" is more than ever indispensable for study of all naval questions, and its photographs and drawings are complete and technically perfect.

## PASSENGER LIST.

## DEPARTURES.

Among the first-class passengers who left Hong Kong for Manila on the Dollar Liner "President Cleveland" on Jan. 7 were:—Mr. J. J. Harrington, Capt. V. F. Browne, Mr. Leung Shang, Mr. Lim Kim-chi, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. and Miss Barbara Clear, Mr. W. Easton, Mrs. D. Ellison, Dr. A. Bautista, Mr. L. M. Cohn, Miss Esperanza Ou Uning, Mr. F. Zobel De Ayala, Dr. and Mrs. A. and Miss G. Quinlan, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Tenell, Mr. C. Lam, Mr. E. Miller, Mr. K. Walle, Mr. B. Bouillet, Miss Loreto Tongsan, Mr. V. Assanmal, Mr. Hages, Mrs. Hodges, Mrs. M. Luther, Mr. R. Luther.

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## EARTH TREMORS?

REMARKABLE SUBMARINE UPHEAVAL.

Melbourne, Nov. 22.

A submarine upheaval of considerable extent was reported by the officers of the American-Australian Oriental Line steamer "West Carmona," which arrived from Seattle to-day. The phenomenon was observed in the Tasman Sea, almost midway between New Zealand and Australia, on November 19.

In the early afternoon broken water was reported ahead, and by 3 o'clock the "West Carmona" was plunging through heavy waves which bore sand, red clay, and other debris from the sea floor. The waves appeared to emanate from a focus, and gave the appearance known to mariners as "heavy water." The ship was tossed about, and the speed was greatly reduced. The disturbed area was very large, and for many hours the discoloured waves were seething about the ship. The depth of the water in this region is shown on the Admiralty chart as 400 fathoms, and there are no known shoals within many miles. The master and officers were unanimous in reporting this as a submarine volcanic disturbance, probably associated with the earth tremors experienced recently in the North Island of New Zealand, and possibly with the exceptionally stormy weather which attended the voyage.

## THOUSAND-A-YEAR PILOTS.

The average earnings of the London district pilots are nearly £2,000 a year. During 1925, 325 pilots received for pilotage and extra services the sum of £320,456. This was for the pilotage in and out of 23,006 British ships, and 19,063 foreign ships. Channel pilots averaged £1,218 gross, and £926 net; Cinque Port pilots £1,072 gross, and £882 net; North Channel port pilots £967 gross, and £747 net, with small additional sums for extra services.

Swansea was the only provincial port comparing with London, the gross average earnings being £1,120 18s. 10d. and the net £770 2s. Bristol is next, with 2954 18s. 3d. gross, and £589 18s. 1d. net, but the net earnings of the first-class pilots at Liverpool were £668 18s. 6d., while the general net average at Blyth was £613 12s. 1d.



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## COMMONWEALTH SHIPPING.

According to a Melbourne message, the Commonwealth Government has decided not to challenge the decision of the High Court, announced on November 1, to the effect that the Commonwealth Shipping Board had no power to compete with private firms in the manufacture of electric machinery. It has also decided not to legislate for an extension of the Shipping Board's already authorised activities.

Reports made by the various sea-side resorts in Ulster, and the railway and steamship companies operating in Ulster territory, show that, in spite of the strike, tourist traffic had in almost all the resorts exceeded the previous year's standard. Parties of English public schoolboys from Southampton, and students from the United States, have arranged to visit Ulster next year.

## ORIENT COMPANY.

STRONG FINANCIAL POSITION.

The Orient Company's profits for the past financial year totalled £368,551, of which £200,000 has been placed to the reserve fund. The company's financial position is very strong, the general reserve fund now totalling £1,300,000, exclusive of other reserves.

## BATTLE WITH ELEMENTS.

Schooner's Tempestuous Voyage.

Melbourne, Nov. 22.

Twenty days out from Hobart on a voyage which usually occupied only seven or eight days, the small schooner "Evaleta" came into port to-day, and berthed at Little Dock. The first few days from Hobart were fine, with moderate and favourable breezes, but, before the ship had entered Bass Strait, a strong westerly wind sprang up, and soon freshened to a gale. She was blown out of her course, and for different periods she was anchored in sheltered spots, or hove to, waiting for the weather to abate. On Wednesday, when the storm in Hobson's Bay tore the Malaita from her anchorage, the "Evaleta" was making heavy weather off Cape Liptrap. Continued rain made the visibility very low, and no attempt could be made to enter the heads until the weather improved. The entrance was made on Saturday.

It was found on opening the hatches, that the water had not penetrated to the cargo of timber, and the vessel received no damage. The "Evaleta" is the only schooner in the Tasmanian interstate trade which is not equipped with auxiliary engines.

Official statistics of Italian shipping for September, 1926, included arrivals and clearances of 30,457 vessels of 10,055,111 net register tons, with 2,387,827 tons of goods and 697,015 passengers, showing an increase compared with 1925. Tonnage lying up included on Oct. 1, 1926, 44 steamers of 47,936 gross tons and 43 sailings vessels of 9,966 gross tons.

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EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Feb. 18	Feb. 19	Feb. 22	Feb. 25	Mar. 6
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Mar. 8	Mar. 12	Mar. 15	Mar. 18	Mar. 27
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Mar. 30	Apr. 2	Apr. 5	Apr. 8	Apr. 17
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Apr. 20	Apr. 23	Apr. 26	Apr. 29	May 8
EMPRESS OF ASIA	May 11	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 29
EMPRESS OF CANADA	June 1	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 19
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 10
EMPRESS OF ASIA	July 11	July 14	July 17	July 20	July 29

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MOREA	10,018	5th Feb.	Marseilles and London
DELTA	8,097	18th Feb.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KALYAN	9,344	19th Feb.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
NELLORE	8,852	2nd March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MANTUA	10,092	5th March	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
KASHGAR	9,005	12th March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
NYANZA	7,023	16th March	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
MONGOLIA	16,504	19th March	Marseilles and London
MACEDONIA	11,320	2nd April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
DEVANHA	8,155	9th April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
KARMALA	12,128	10th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
DELTA	8,097	27th April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
MALWA	10,441	30th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
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TALMA	10,000	19th Jan.	Moji & Kobe
KASHGAR	9,005	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, and Kobe
DELTA	8,097	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, and Kobe
TALMA	10,000	21st Jan.	Moji & Kobe
MANTUA	10,092	4th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, and Kobe
NELLORE	8,853	5th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, and Kobe
NAGPORE	5,283	6th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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MONGOLIA	16,504	17th Feb.	Shanghai & Kobe
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It is understood that the  
Mineral Oil Company at Genoa,  
are to construct new docks with  
facilities for the storage of oil.  
The company is increasing its  
capital from £1,000,000 lire to  
5,000,000 lire.

A Portsmouth message says  
that a fund for the relief of de-  
pendants of petty officers and men  
who lost their lives in the  
"Valerian" disaster has been  
opened by the Commander-in-  
Chief of the North America and  
West Indies station. The amount  
raised will be handed over to the  
Royal Naval Benevolent Trust,  
which is already dealing with  
cases of distress occasioned by the  
disaster.

## MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of  
Russia" is due at Hong Kong on  
January 14.

The m.v. "Canton" (Swedish East  
Asiatic Co., Ltd.) left Antwerp on  
December 13, 1926, and is due here  
on or about January 21, 1927.

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Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery  
may be obtained.

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and on part of her cargo on board  
prior to the accident a General  
Average of 15% will have to be  
paid by Consignees unless same has  
been adjusted by shippers in Copen-  
hagen, which information shall  
be supplied on presentation of  
Bills of Lading.

No claims will be admitted after  
the goods have left the Godowns,  
and all goods remaining undelivered  
after the 14th January, 1927,  
will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged  
goods are to be left in the Godown,  
where they will be examined by  
Messrs. Anderson & Ashe on the  
12th January, 1927, at 10 a.m.

All claims must reach us before  
the 17th January, 1927, or they  
will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be  
effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-  
signed by

JOHN MANNERS & CO., LTD.,  
Agents.

Hong Kong, 8th Jan. 1927.

## "SUNNING" PIRACY.

NINE PRISONERS NOW  
COMMITTED.

## MAGISTERIAL EVIDENCE.

Three more of the men charged  
at the Magistracy with complicity  
in the "Sunning" piracy were  
committed for trial at the  
Sessions yesterday. The number  
committed is now nine. One  
more prisoner has yet to com-  
plete his evidence. The Magis-  
terial hearing will be completed  
this morning.

Addressing the Court yester-  
day, Mr. Lo asked whether His  
Worship was satisfied that the  
burning of the ship was done  
with the one object of destroying  
all traces of the piracy. Mr. Lo  
drew attention to the fact that  
witnesses had expressed an op-  
inion that all the pirates left the  
"Sunning," and he suggested  
there was very strong evidence  
that those who remained were  
not pirates.

The Crown had called a wit-  
ness who had said the defendants  
were in the steerage. Men who  
had been defendants in the case  
had said the same and because  
they had been defendants that  
was no reason why their evidence  
should not be given credence.

Crown Summing-Up.  
The Crown Solicitor dwelt on  
the possibility of others joining  
the pirate gang during the early  
stages of the piracy. If Mr.  
Beatty and Mr. Orr were not mis-  
taken, the probable conclusion  
was that No. 7 was not armed,  
but was added to the band at the  
start and then armed himself  
with the water bottle and struck  
the Second Officer.

The men were undoubtedly  
from the s.s. "Philadelphia." As  
regards the number of pirates  
there had been indications of the  
number, and then there was the  
remark of the pirate chief that  
the band consisted of 25.

Mr. Holmes dwelt on the fact  
that the defendants and the wit-  
nesses called for the defence con-  
centrated on the fact that all the  
men from the "Philadelphia,"  
were in the steerage. They did  
not qualify that statement at all.

Mr. Lindsell said he thought he  
was bound to send the men for  
trial, and committed them to the  
Criminal Sessions.

## Earlier Evidence.

At the commencement of yes-  
terday afternoon's hearing Mr.  
Lo informed Mr. Lindsell that he  
had been discussing with  
Mr. Holmes the best pro-  
cedure to follow and it  
was agreed that if he called  
his five witnesses before putting  
the remaining three defendants  
in the box, it might enable his  
Worship to come to a decision at  
an earlier stage.

His Worship said that he  
would leave it entirely to Mr. Lo.  
Lay Ying, originally the 10th  
defendant, said that he was a  
seaman on the s.s. "Cheong On"  
being one of 19 men discharged  
from that vessel on November 9,  
all of whom were given passages  
to Hong Kong on the s.s.  
"Sunning."

In reply to further questions,  
witness said that he was pre-  
pared to swear that the 7th,  
9th, and 14th defendants were  
in the steerage between 4 and  
10 p.m. The evidence of other  
people who claimed to have seen  
the three men in other parts of  
the ship during those hours was  
incorrect.

Cross-examined by Mr. Holmes,  
witness said that he was search-  
ed by two of the pirates.

Mr. Holmes: Was everyone  
in the steerage searched?—Not  
every one.

Mr. Holmes: Was anything  
taken from you?—Not from my  
person. From my baggage I  
lost an overcoat, a blanket and  
\$70 in cash.

Mr. Holmes: Did you speak  
to the Chinese Consul-General?  
—No.

Mr. Holmes: Can you account  
for the fact that his visiting card  
was found on you when you were  
searched?—No.

His Worship asked whether  
the Crown Solicitor desired the  
card to be put in as an exhibit.  
Mr. Holmes said that he thought  
it a very material exhibit.

Mr. Lo: Oh no. That cannot  
be put in now. There is no  
evidence to that effect in the case  
for the Crown.

Mr. Holmes: These 19 men  
say that they were together all  
the time.

Mr. Lo: That is nothing new.  
Everyone has admitted the fact  
right through the case and you  
cannot introduce evidence of re-  
buttal at this stage.

His Worship disallowed the  
objection.

In reply to his Worship, wit-  
ness said that he did not see any-  
thing taken from the 7th de-  
fendant.

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the goods have left the godowns,  
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after the 10th instant, will be  
subject to rent.

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must be presented to the Under-  
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TAMBA MARU Tuesday, 11th January.

RANGOON MARU Saturday, 22nd January.

CALCUTTA via SINGAPORE, PENANG &amp; RANGOON.

PENANG MARU Wednesday, 10th January.

NAGASAKI, KOBE &amp; YOKOHAMA.

MISHIMA MARU Saturday, 21st January.

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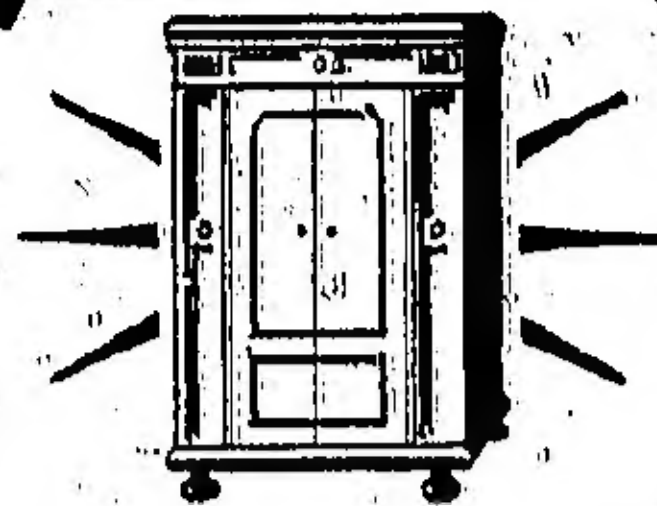
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### BIRTH.

REBSAMEN.—On January 1, 1927,  
at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs.  
J. A. Rebsamen, a son.

### DEATH.

PRIEST.—On January 1, 1927, at  
Shanghai, Fanny, the dearly be-  
loved wife of W. J. Priest, aged  
46 years.

Hong Kong, Saturday, Jan. 8, 1927.

### HONG KONG'S NAVAL VOLUNTEERS.

Enthusiastic potential naval  
Volunteers in Hong Kong were  
assured some months ago that  
the only delay in putting the  
Volunteer Naval Reserve scheme  
into working operation would be  
in connection with the granting  
of financial support by the Home  
and local Governments. Since  
then, provision has been made in  
both Estimates for the gift of a  
gunboat of the "Insect" class (on  
the part of the Home Govern-  
ment) and of a vote of \$40,000 for  
cost of upkeep, fuelling and train-  
ed personnel (by the Hong Kong  
Government). On the face of it  
there should be nothing to hinder  
the local authorities from an-  
nouncing the conditions under  
which it is proposed to run the  
scheme and appealing for local  
support. The gunboat is not ex-  
pected to be despatched until the  
middle of the year but certain  
valuable work could be put in be-  
forehand, and training could be  
given to those who will not bring  
to their voluntary patrol work a  
knowledge of local waters or of  
matters nautical. The earlier  
this training is commenced, the  
better. For whilst it is hardly  
likely that naval vessels will be  
needed for active service in the  
vicinity of Hong Kong, calls may  
be made—such as that which re-

sulted, in the despatching  
of four boats from Hong  
Kong to the North this  
week—which would greatly  
diminish the number available for  
patrol work. It is in times such  
as these that the Naval Reserve  
would be invaluable. The Naval  
authorities have already expressed  
the opinion that the Reserve  
would be of great assistance to  
them and to the Colony in times  
of emergency and that the  
scheme is practicable. The first  
move in the direction of putting  
the scheme into working opera-  
tion will be awaited with interest.

### Saving the Pence.

A striking illustration of the  
truth that pounds will look after  
themselves is to hand this week  
in the recorded achievement of an  
Indian watchman, probate of  
whose will has been granted. Em-  
ployed at a West Point godown at  
a wage which would not keep  
a heavy smoker in  
cigarettes and tobacco, from  
the time of his first arrival  
in the Colony this self-denying  
Oriental, with a patience typical  
of his race, saved enough out of  
his meagre earnings to make  
small loans to those in humble  
circumstances around him who  
stood in urgent need of ready  
cash. With capital  
increased weekly by the  
interest demanded, he was  
able with the passing of the years  
to launch out on more ambitious  
lines as regards money lending  
until at the time of his death he  
was worth \$45,000, although still  
engaged in the humble occupa-  
tion of a watchman. It would  
perhaps be unfair to infer what  
rate of interest he was in the  
habit of charging, but in this  
connection it may be recalled that  
in a bankruptcy case recently be-  
fore the Chief Justice, when His  
Lordship expressed surprise that  
a debtor should have been asked to  
sign a note for double the amount  
he actually received, he was  
assured by the Official Receiver  
that such was the general prac-  
tice among money lenders here.  
Whilst not losing sight of the un-  
fortunate position of those who,  
having urgent need of ready  
money, are called upon to repay at  
extortionate rates, a lesson may  
still be derived from a record of  
self-abnegation extending over a  
period of years by which the goal,  
however mercenary, was eventual-  
ly attained.

### The Riches Coolie's Lot.

In connection with the appeal  
which is to be launched for sup-  
port of the proposal to found an  
institution to ameliorate the lot  
of the rich coolie, it will come as  
a surprise to most people to learn  
from Bishop Valtorta, the cov-  
er of the movement, who spent  
years of missionary work in the  
district from which most of our  
chair and riches coolies come,  
that these humble toilers are un-  
able to keep their families in  
comfortable circumstances dur-  
ing their period of service here.  
It is freely said among the older  
residents that rich and chair  
coolies in the past, at any rate,

have made enough in a few years  
to enable them to purchase a  
small farm and to retire into the  
country. It is not a pleasant task,  
however, pulling people about  
under, often, gruelling circum-  
stances and few would begrudge  
them a well earned retirement, if  
they actually made as much as it  
is said they do, and few would be-  
grudge them the conveniences  
which it is proposed to afford  
them under the movement recent-  
ly inaugurated which will doubt-  
less receive considerable support.  
Passengers sometimes confess to  
feeling none too comfortable at  
being borne by a perspiring  
human being. It may be that in  
time the rich puller will be  
entirely superseded by more  
mechanical means of  
transport but so long as  
he is not only willing but rancous-  
ly insistent that his arms and  
shoulders should be placed at  
one's service for a monetary con-  
sideration it is doubtful if he  
would appreciate the reasoning of  
those who refuse to patronise him  
on humanitarian grounds.

### POLICE AMBUSH.

#### KOWLOON SKIRMISH CASE CONTINUED.

Further evidence was given at  
the Kowloon Magistracy yester-  
day in the case in which four  
Chinese are held on various  
charges in connection with the  
skirmish with the Police at a  
distillery in the neighbourhood of  
Gin Drinkers' Bay on Dec. 2  
when four men were killed.

Three of the four men are  
charged with attempted armed  
robbery and possession of instru-  
ments fit for an unlawful pur-  
pose.

Evidence concerning two re-  
volvers found on the scene was  
given by Mr. C. Greenwood,  
Police Armourer. The revolvers  
were all loaded and one which had  
two rounds fired from it was in  
good condition. Two rounds found  
in the other revolver were wet.

A Chinese detective said that  
he went with Sub-Inspector  
Andrews to the Wo Lung Distil-  
lery, and was posted in the  
"master's" room with three other  
Chinese detectives and Sub-In-  
spector Andrews. They waited  
from 7 till a little after 10 p.m.  
when some people came into the  
room, and on seeing the police  
took out their guns and two shots  
were fired. The police officers  
returned the fire, and he himself  
fired four shots. In this shooting  
affray, witness further added,  
Sub-Inspector Andrews killed one  
of the robbers outright. Another  
of the miscreants was wounded.

Further evidence was heard,  
and the defendants having im-  
plicated that they would be call-  
ing witnesses for their defence  
the case was adjourned.

### \$1,000 BAIL.

#### PAWNING IMITATION RINGS CASE.

The case in which a Chinese  
stands charged with attempting to  
pawn imitation gold rings was again  
mentioned in Mr. Schofield's Court  
at the Central Magistracy yester-  
day afternoon. Mr. W. B. Hind  
intimating that he had been in-  
structed to defend only a few mo-  
ments earlier and would therefore  
apply for a remand.

Mr. McCallum, prosecuting, said  
that he did not wish to prejudice the  
defence. He was ready to go on  
and felt that the defendant had had  
plenty of time to instruct counsel.

His Worship said that he felt  
that he should grant a remand in  
the circumstances.

Mr. Hind applied for bail.

Mr. McCallum said that whilst  
not opposing bail he would like to  
point out that the case was not one  
of a single offence, but one of a  
series of offences.

His Worship allowed bail "in  
\$1,000."

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#### DEVOLVES ON A BOY OF SEVEN.

London, Dec. 29.  
The only baronetcy in Aus-  
tralia and a fortune estimated  
at one million sterling, has been  
inherited by a seven years old  
boy as a result of the sudden  
death of Sir Rupert Clarke of  
Repertwood, Victoria, at his  
Monte Carlo villa. The family  
fortunes were founded by Sir  
Rupert's grandfather, who was a  
butcher's assistant in Aldgate,  
London, before emigrating to  
Australia in 1840.

### FLYING IN FOGS.

London, Dec. 8.  
The Air Ministry has adopted the  
Schliovsk-Cooke gyroscopic indica-  
tor, enabling pilots to fly in a  
fog and nocturnally.

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reckless gaiety of Shanghai's  
cabarets, none of Harbin's drama-  
tic conflicts, none of the dignity,  
historical colour, and social bril-  
liance of Peking. Hankow is essen-  
tially a city of commerce, rich,  
staid, drab. Life beats there with a  
slower pulse, writes G. C. Dixon in  
the "Daily Mail."

For many reasons Hankow is  
the greatest prize that the Can-  
tonese have yet captured. Besides  
doing a vast trade it is the ter-  
minus of the Peking-Hankow Rail-  
way and the strategic key to the  
entire upper Yangtze. At Hankow,  
too, are the works of the great Han-  
yeh-ping Company, which turns out  
200,000 tons of iron and steel a  
year; the largest arsenal in China  
(situated in the suburb of Han-  
yang); and large electrical, bank-  
ing, and other undertakings, fin-  
anced and managed by the British.

#### Foreign Community.

There are about 1,200 foreigners  
in Hankow, 600 of whom are British,  
300 Germans, 150 Russians, and the  
rest mainly French and Japanese.

Six hundred miles though they  
are from the sea, the Europeans  
are by no means cut off from pro-  
tection. The Yangtze is navigable  
by river vessels for 1,300 miles all  
the year round. During the sum-  
mer, when the sun melts the snows  
of Tibet, ocean-going boats, includ-  
ing H.M.S. "Hawkins," the flagship  
of our Chinese squadron, can reach  
Hankow with safety and ease.

Over 8,000 years old, Hankow is  
not only one of the most ancient of  
Chinese cities but the largest. In  
1861, when it was one of the 48  
ports opened by treaty to foreign  
trade, Hankow was little more than  
a fishing village, poor, dirty and  
disease-ridden, sprawling upon a  
swamp beside the sluggish Yangtze.

#### Amazing Growth.

But then began a miraculous ex-  
pansion hardly paralleled even in  
the mushroom growths of America.  
Lying at the junction of the Yang-  
tze and the Han rivers, Hankow be-  
came the clearing house for myriads  
of junks and the central trading de-  
pot for the whole of the immense  
Yangtze valley, which drains an  
area of nearly a million square miles  
and fertilises the crops that feed  
200 millions of people. The  
Amazon may be the world's largest  
river and the Nile the most his-  
toric, but for power of life and  
death over mankind the Yangtze  
is supreme.

Fed by this great life stream,  
Hankow spread over the flats and  
marshes like some tropical growth.  
To-day, with a population of  
1,626,000 as compared with Shang-  
hai's 1,500,000, it is not only the  
largest city in China, but the largest  
in the whole of Asia.

#### Fine Race Course.

Flat, depressingly ugly—from a  
height its roof tops form a sea of  
drab grey, broken only by the yel-  
low waters of the Yangtze—and  
sweltering for six months in the  
year beneath a blazing sun, Han-  
kow is generally avoided by Euro-  
peans in the East. At night the  
air is alive with what must surely  
be the largest and most ferocious  
mosquitoes in the world; and, with  
this plague and an entire lack of  
sanitation and clean drinking water  
in the Chinese quarters, it is not  
surprising that diphtheria, typhoid,  
and several sorts of fever exact a  
heavy toll.

But life has its compensations.  
In the foreign concession there is  
a racecourse, reckoned the finest in  
all China. (The Chinese, always  
great gamblers, have recently built  
an opposition, racecourse, where  
you may see coolies literally stak-  
ing their shirts.) And there are  
also lawn tennis courts, a cricket  
and football ground, and two fair  
golf courses—though golf anywhere  
in China (and I have played from  
Hong Kong to Harbin) is handicap-  
ped by the extraordinary inability  
of the country to produce proper  
turf.

#### SOCIETY DIVORCE.

London, Dec. 7.  
The Divorce Court upheld Lady  
Cheylesmore's claim, holding that  
Lord Cheylesmore's interests  
were in England, not in Canada.  
This decision means that the wife  
will be able to proceed with the  
divorce suit in England.

#### EMPEROR'S FUNERAL.

Tokyo, Jan. 3.  
As a result of to-day's meeting  
of the Commission on the Imperial  
funeral, it has been decided that the  
funeral service for the late Em-  
peror of Japan will be held at the  
Imperial villa at Shinjuku from the  
evening of February 7 to the dawn  
of the following day. It is expected  
that this decision will be made pub-  
lic subject to approval by the Em-  
peror.

### WU PEI-FU.

#### POETIC SPIRIT SHINES UNDIMMED.

#### VERSES TO MADAME WU.

Peking, Dec. 30.

Though wars rage; though  
Generals turn traitor and foes  
press forward, the poetic spirit  
of Marshal Wu Pei-fu shines on,  
undimmed.

Two poems, both of unusual  
distinction, were recently written  
by the defeated Warlord, one to  
honour a guard who gave his  
life to defend his chief, the other  
to extol the brave heart of his  
wife, who never leaves his side.  
The verse to the soldier is  
translated as follows:—

"The cold wind from the west  
blows my old battle gar-  
ment.  
To look upon the blood stain on  
the cloak brings sorrow to  
my heart.  
My only possessions now are  
my loyal heart and brave  
soul.  
These will be with me, forever,  
despite the ice and snow of  
the present situation."

This verse illustrates the deep  
devotion of Marshal Wu to a  
guard who lost his life in the  
battle at Ting Ssu Chiao. Blood  
from the wound of the dying man  
stained the garment of the chief,  
who attempted to alleviate the  
suffering of the soldier. Marshal  
Wu has never permitted the  
blood-stain to be removed from  
his garment, pointing to it  
always as the life blood of a  
faithful man who died that he  
might live.

To his wife, who because of  
the reverse of her husband's for-  
tunes, insists on wearing an old  
cotton garment, which cannot  
properly protect her from the  
cold, Marshal Wu writes:—

"The thief has not been slain  
The people have not been saved  
Old people will go on together,  
Fighting the cold and starva-  
tion.

Daily we wear the horse-skin  
and the skin of the bull  
What does it matter?  
Only a good and bright soul  
can bring real peace."

### SIANFU'S DEFENDER.

#### MURDERED BY ENRAGED POPULACE?

Peking, Dec. 30.

General Yang Yu-chien, the  
second Kuomintang commander  
who held Sianfu against General  
Liu Chen-hua during the seven  
months' siege, has mysteriously  
disappeared. It is reported in  
wires reaching here from Honan.  
When the Kuomintang chief  
raised the siege entered Sianfu,  
it was discovered that General  
Yang was gone.

In some quarters, it is said,  
that the Kuomintang chief left  
for Hankow. Other reports are  
that the native populace of the  
city, enraged at the obstinate  
stand of the General in refusing  
to give up, murdered him.

### LORD INCHCAPE'S SPEECH.

#### Missionary Secretary's Comment.

London, Dec. 8.

"I wonder if Lord Inchcape is  
aware that the missionaries work  
in China under exactly the same  
treaty provisions as the business  
men," said Mr. Barclay, the  
secretary of the Church Mission-  
ary Society, adding "If the Chi-  
nese" dislike missionaries what  
about the business men and the  
P. and O. officers who possess the  
same right, but no more right  
than the missionaries' organisa-  
tions. The Chinese probably  
realise that the P. and O. Com-  
pany operates in China for its  
own profit whereas missionary  
aims are altruistic. Letters from  
our people in Western China,  
where there is considerable anti-  
foreign feeling, have shown that  
they are being treated well.

### CHINESE STOWAWAYS.

#### Well Fed and Partly Intoxicated.

Melbourne, Dec. 9.

When the steamer "Sirdhana"  
was travelling between Adelaide  
and Melbourne six Chinese stow-  
aways who had eluded the search  
of the Customs officers at Fre-  
mantle and Adelaide were dis-  
covered in hiding in a small cup-  
board.

They appeared to have been  
well fed, and were partly under  
the influence of liquor. They  
were handed over to the Mel-  
bourne police.

According to the Paris "Liberte"  
200,000 French soldiers are con-  
centrated on the Italian frontier  
between Nice and Grenoble.

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## SEAMEN'S ORDEAL.

RIGOURS OF ARCTIC WINTER.

A THRILLING ESCAPE.

London, Dec. 24. Terrible experiences of the rigours of the Arctic Winter by the crew of the German trawler "Island," which foundered in the White Sea on December 13, are related by four of her sailors who have arrived at Aberdeen. The vessel sank a few minutes after striking a rock.

The crew, drenched to the skin with icy water, reached land in a small boat. They were scantily clad. The Captain was without boots.

The party was forced to walk to prevent their being frozen. Bruised and bleeding, they climbed a cliff, the crevices of which were choked with ice.

When they arrived at the top no habitation was in sight, but they finally reached a deserted hut and kindled a fire.

They resumed their march without food, and when they were near exhaustion they were greeted by a man skiing across the snow. He led them to a village, from which they were later taken to a port and embarked for home.

## DIVORCE LAWS.

INDIA AND THE CROWN COLONIES.

London, Dec. 7. By the House of Commons today, Earl Winterton (Under-Secretary for India) moved the second reading of the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill, conferring upon the Indian and Dominion Courts jurisdiction in marriages, the parties to which are domiciled in England or Scotland, though living in India or the Dominions, and validating the decrees granted.

Sir Ellis Hume Williams (Unionist) said that the Bill might have gone further. The English Courts had no jurisdiction in divorce over a respondent who was domiciled in India or Australia, although the offence might have been committed in England. Why were the self-governing Dominions exempted, and why were no steps taken for reciprocal legislation? The Bill was read a second time.

## THIEF'S RUSE.

"GAY YOUNG MAN" SENTENCED.

London, Dec. 7. Finding a lady's name and address in a diary which he stole from a room at the Savoy Hotel occupied by Mr. H. A. McLaughlin, secretary to Sir Neville Howse, a thief named James Fleming (26) telephoned to her in McLaughlin's name, inviting her to meet him at the Savoy. While the lady was en route to the hotel Fleming entered and robbed her residence.

The prosecution described Fleming as a gay young man who liked hotel life. He also pleaded guilty to five other hotel thefts, and was sentenced to three years' imprisonment.

## DAILY FOOD PRICES.

Geneva, Dec. 2.

The "average family's" daily basket of provisions, including meat, vegetables, bread, coffee, milk and butter, was the basis of the League of Nations' Labour Office's inquiry into the cost of living in the chief cities of the world.

Lodz, Poland, is the cheapest city, with two shillings, and Philadelphia the dearest at 9s. 1d. Sydney comes next at 8s. 1d., and London, 7s. 1d., is eighth on the list.

## PRINCE CAROL.

Paris, Nov. 29.

It is reported that Prince Carol has secretly agreed with his wife to return to her and reside in Rumania for dynastic reasons. There is no suggestion that the arrangement necessitates the breaking off of his relations with Madame Lupescu.

## TURKEY PROHIBITS VEILS.

Constantinople, Dec. 7.

The Government of Trebizond has prohibited women from wearing the veil because it is unhealthy, and because it interferes with the right of earning their own living, and furnishes an easy disguise. In future wearers of veils will be arrested immediately.

Rome reports that after New Year all ministerial documents are to be dated from the beginning of the Fascist era.

## £500,000 PRIZE.

RESULT OF A SPANISH LOTTERY.

QUEUE AT THE MINT.

London, Dec. 22. Madrid.—A long queue waited throughout the night for admission to the Royal Mint where tickets for the great Christmas lottery were drawn, the principal winning ticket being worth approximately £500,000. The Government makes a profit of 40,000,000 pesetas, the Government and the King sharing. One full ticket, which is a high denomination, may be split into small fractions.

Those in the queue were for the most part poor hoping to sell places at the last moment. They were regaled with hot coffee and toast supplied by the Police, while a popular actress distributed smokes.

Owing to the vast number of shares sold in the winning ticket the prize will be split by a host of participants from the middle and working classes. The second prizes of 10,000,000 pesetas will also be much subdivided. The third prize was won by a resident of Cuba, while officers and other ranks in the Red Cross attached to Saragossa garrisons share the fourth.

## PAPER STRIKE.

RIGHTS OF A WOMAN REPORTER.

London, Dec. 21. The editorial staff of two Glasgow weeklies, the "Eastern Standard" and the "Southern Standard," struck, alleging certain grievances, including the victimisation of a woman reporter, who was dismissed.

An official of the local branch of the National Union of Journalists declares that the strike was unofficial. He stated that the Union had advised the men to return to work pending investigation of their grievances.

The strike has evoked sarcastic comment inasmuch as Mr. John Whitley, M.P. (Labour), holds an important interest and is a director of the firm publishing the papers. The alleged victimisation followed an agitation to force up salaries to trade union scale. The Manager, who is ex-Secretary of the Glasgow I.L.P., and an ex-Socialist Parliamentary candidate, declares that the dismissal was due to the need for re-organisation and economy.

## EUROPE FREEZES.

GREAT SNOWSTORM SWEEPS SPAIN.

London, Dec. 28. A wave of extreme cold is sweeping over Spain with the temperature far below freezing point. At Segovia and Burgos the temperature is down to 10 degrees Fahrenheit. Traffic is almost suspended. A number of deaths is reported.

The "Daily Mail" bulletin says a great snowstorm accompanied by gales swept Spain causing much loss of life and enormous damage. Six millions sterling of orange crop has been lost, light-houses shaken, and fifty ships sunk.

Frost and snow prevail throughout France. The southern part of the United States has also been visited by great rain and sleet storms and many people have been drowned in the floods.

## NOVELIST'S SUICIDE.

London, Dec. 1.

Allen Upward, the author, who recently committed suicide, left all he possessed to Mr. Stephen Graham, author of numerous books on Tsarist Russia and other works. The "Daily Express" says that the amount is not stated.

To the will was added a desire to be buried in unconsecrated ground, if it is allowed; and Upward forbade any memorial.

Mr. Graham, in an interview expressed the opinion that Upward committed suicide in order to draw attention to his work, "a desperate measure which he mentioned to me some years ago, but to which I had no idea he would resort."

## WOMEN APPROVED.

London, Dec. 1.

Cambridge undergraduates debated the motion—"That this House disapproves of women," which was defeated by 191 to 164.

Supporters of the motion favoured the womanly woman. The proposer, Mr. A. King Hamilton, declared that the modern woman, with arms banded, hair binged, and face bungled, looked like nothing on earth.

Following stringent investigations the Roman prefecture will close all night-dancing halls according to the "Popolo di Roma."

## MARY OF SCOTS.

PURCHASE OF A FAMOUS PORTRAIT.

STRANGE GLASGOW INCIDENT.

London, Dec. 23. The Glasgow Corporation, in spite of opposition from some Labour members, has decided to purchase a £7,000 portrait of Mary Queen of Scots, painted by a famous contemporary French artist, which has been in the possession of the Earl of Morton's family since 1580.

A Labour member supporting the purchase, produced a skull in the Council Chamber, and declared it was the skull of a soldier killed in the battle of Langside, when Mary Queen of Scots' army was defeated.

## "ABSENT GUESTS."

A TREAT FOR LONDON'S POOR.

London, Dec. 20. Over 300 of the poorest men in London will be the "absent guests" of friends in Cairo at a dinner to be arranged by the Church Army in London on December 29.

The absent hosts will sit down to a dinner at Cairo consisting of lentil soup, bread and cheese and water, costing 3½d., for which they will subscribe 6s. a head, the balance being expended on the absent guests.

At a dinner, which will be held simultaneously as that at Cairo and at a pre-arranged time both absent hosts and absent guests will toast each other.

Amongst those present at the London dinner will be Lord Darnley, President of the Church Army, and Sir Arthur Yapp.

The Cairo dinner will be under the Presidency of Lord Lloyd.

## HIS LAST WORDS.

DEATH OF AN ITALIAN SURGEON.

London, Dec. 24. Geneva.—"Continue the operation, my eyes are giving out" were the last words of an Italian surgeon, Dr. Lombardo, who collapsed while operating on a patient in his private clinic at Bergamo.

Nurses carried the doctor from the operating theatre. Dr. Lombardo died without recovering consciousness.

## VALUE OF CHEWING GUM.

London, Dec. 29.

The use of chewing-gum is officially recommended for pilots in the British R. A. F. Providing saliva, it overcomes the difficulty experienced in swallowing during accents, owing to the throat becoming parched.

## EMPIRE MEDALS.

London, Dec. 23.

Encouraged by the success of distributing medals symbolic of the Empire to school children on Empire Day, the British Empire Union has decided to extend the scheme to the Dominions and the Colonies next year.

## DIAMOND THIEF'S FRIEND.

London, Dec. 21.

The Police at Strasbourg have arrested Eugenio Decury, a friend of the alleged diamond thief, Kauffer. Decury denies knowledge of the theft.

## THRICE A PEERESS.

The Countess of Yarborough died at Brocklesby Hall, near Grimsby, in mid week, aged 68. She had been in indifferent health for more than a year. About 5 weeks before her death sleepiness developed, followed by pneumonia, which was the cause of death. Lady Yarborough was thrice a peeress. She was the Hon. Marla Amelia Mary Lane-Fox, daughter of the 12th Lord Conyers, upon whose death she succeeded to the title. In 1903 she established her claim to the Barony of Fauconberg, thus becoming Lady Fauconberg and Conyers in her own right. She married Lord Yarborough in 1886, and had three sons, the eldest, Lord Worsley, being killed in action with the Guards in the early days of the war. She was a Lady of Justice of St. John of Jerusalem, and took an active part in charitable work.

## MAJOR CASHIERED.

The "London Gazette" announces that Major C. Geldard, M.C., of the Royal Artillery, has been cashiered by order of a general court-martial. Major Geldard was found guilty at a court-martial at Bordon, Hampshire, on September 28, of seven charges of making false entries in the accounts of the 92nd Battery, in which there was a deficiency of £182, and of misapplying money to his own use. Major Geldard admitted negligence, but denied any fraudulent intentions.

## TRAGIC GRIEF.

INQUEST ON A SOCIETY GIRL.

VERDICT OF SUICIDE.

London, Dec. 21. "Suicide when of unsound mind" was the verdict at the inquest at Swanage on Miss Una Crowe, whom witnesses described as an exceptionally brilliant girl who obtained an honours degree two years before she was entitled to receive it.

She was in good health and spirits and very much devoted to her mother with whom she always went out. But she changed when her father died and became depressed and lost interest in things.

The finder of her body testified that her legs were tied with pink tape and her face was bruised. The body had possibly been lying in the spot several days before it was discovered.

A doctor expressed the opinion that death was not due to drowning but to cardiac syncope caused by shock following exhaustion due to immersion in water.

## EMPIRE PUDDING.

AN INTERESTING LONDON CEREMONY.

London, Dec. 20.

An interesting ceremony took place this morning at the premises of the Overseas League here.

The Dominions representatives participated in the formal mixing of an Empire Christmas pudding which will be presented to the King. Each of the Dominions contributed to the ingredients. South Africa was represented by raisins, Australia by suetanas and currants, Canada by flour, Demerara, sugar, Scotland by beef and suet, England by apples and eggs, India by spice, and Jamaica by rum.

After the stirring ceremony the toast of the King and the Empire Christmas pudding was proposed by Lord Meath and drunk in South African Hook.

## RACE AGAINST DEATH.

San Diego, Dec. 28.

How the U.S. destroyer, "Farragut," steamed out of the harbour here at full speed for Ensenada, Mexico, in a thrilling race to save the life of Leighton Hope, the American Vice-Consul there, is revealed.

No merchant vessels for San Diego were sailing from Ensenada and an appeal to the local naval base was made. The "Farragut" made 32 knots down to Ensenada and 30 coming back with the sick man.

## SAILORS POISONED.

San Diego, Calif. Dec. 28.

Twenty-one bluejackets confined aboard the receiving ship, "Rigid," at the destroyer base, awaiting trial for court-martial offences, and three sentries, were taken to the naval hospital suffering from ptomaine poisoning. None were dangerously ill. Tinned beef hash is believed to be the cause of the trouble.

## WORLD'S RECORD GLIDE.

London, Dec. 20.

Rome.—The aviator Cattaneo glided about 7½ miles which is claimed to be a record.



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## LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Memorial of Re-entry by the  
Crown on Kowloon Inland Lot No.  
1666 and New Kowloon Inland Lot  
No. 481 have been registered ac-  
cording to law.

It is notified that a Memorial of  
Re-entry by the Government has  
been registered according to law in  
respect of Tsing I Island Demarca-  
tion District No. 434 Lot No. 377.

Before Mr. T. W. Ainsworth, at  
the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday,  
Mr. L. V. Pinna, of Jordan Road,  
was fined \$6 for riding a bicycle on  
the wrong side of Prince Edward  
Road.

Two local dances drew large at-  
tendances last night. The "Semreh"  
band was at the "Hermes" ball in  
the Hotel Savoy and the Dockyard  
Recreation Club spent a convivial  
evening at Lane, Crawford's restau-  
rant.

It is notified that Memorials of  
Re-entry by the Crown on the fol-  
lowing Lots in the Northern Dis-  
trict of the New Territories have  
been registered according to law:—  
D.D. No. 6, Lot No. 995, D.D. No. 11,  
Lots Nos. 1440 and 1430B, D.D. No.  
82, Lot No. 1468, D.D. No. 135, Lot  
No. 301, D.D. No. 131, Lot No. 677,  
and D.D. No. 189, Lots Nos. 1416,  
1417, 1418 and 1419.

Where is the fortune, estimated at  
\$10,000,000, left by Sir Andrew  
Chadwick, the brewer's manager,  
who died in Marylebone in 1768,  
leaving neither issue nor will? For  
years it has been believed that the  
money has been in Chancery. In  
last week, however, it was officially  
stated that after a search through  
the records of the Chancery Court  
since 1726 no trace of the estate  
had been found.

The Travel Association, which  
sponsored the Floating University  
which visited Hong Kong last  
autumn has issued a statement re-  
garding the pranks played by the  
nine students who were sent home  
at Kobe. The objects "thought-  
lessly removed from shrines in  
Japan were returned almost with-  
out exception and apologies sent to  
those concerned," the report says.  
It concludes: "In spite of the un-  
fortunate events in Japan many  
prominent Japanese expressed  
themselves as more than pleased  
with the arrangements carried out  
for contact and understanding be-  
tween American and Japanese  
students."

A new school year begins at  
the Central British School, Kow-  
loon, to-day.

It is notified that the name of  
the Wing Wo Company, Limited has  
been struck off the Register of  
Companies.

As from to-day the Secretariat  
for Chinese Affairs will be at the  
new Government Building, occupy-  
ing the first floor on the Connaught  
Road side, i.e., above the Central  
Fire Station.



Mrs. Dorothy Benjamin  
Caruso Ingram, widow of the  
Italian tenor, is engaged to  
Charles H. Wacker, jun., war  
aviator.

The cable office at Shameen  
(closed in June, 1925) has been  
re-opened by the Kwantung  
Telegraph Administration. The  
manager, Mr. Chen Hsin-tseng  
notifies that under orders from  
the Nationalist Government, only  
Central Bank notes (at par with  
Canton subsidiary silver coin)  
will be accepted in payment.

A Chinese woman now in the  
Kwong Wah Hospital is suspected  
of having attempted suicide when  
she took an overdose of opium. She  
was admitted yesterday.

Admitted to Kwong Wah Hos-  
pital with wounds from cuts yester-  
day, a Chinese woman is believed  
to have quarrelled with her hus-  
band. The Police are making in-  
quiries.

It is notified that, at the expira-  
tion of three months from date, the  
Hong Kong Lumber Company,  
Limited will, unless cause is shown  
to the contrary, be struck off the Re-  
gister of Companies and the com-  
pany will be dissolved.

Mr. J. R. Carr of the Botanical  
Department prosecuted a Chinese  
in the Police Court this morning  
for unlawfully cutting pine trees  
on a Government plantation near  
Tyntmuk reservoir. Accused had  
a previous conviction and was fined  
\$50 or three months.

The Shanghai pawnshop  
strikes is about broken, insofar as  
a thousand employees have re-  
turned to work under an arrange-  
ment whereby each master will  
settle individual increases in pay  
in his own shop, and under a gen-  
eral arrangement whereby the  
proprietors agree to pay their  
employees one or two per cent.  
from the receipts of sales of un-  
redeemed property. The owners  
have also agreed that an addi-  
tional quantity of congee shall  
be supplied daily. Consequently  
impoverished young Chinese  
bloods can once again rely on  
"uncle" for assistance.

The following rule was made  
by the Governor in Council under  
section 36 of the Tramway Ordin-  
ance, 1902, Ordinance No. 10 of  
1902, on January 5:—Appendix A to  
the rules made by the Governor in  
Council under section 36 of the  
Tramway Ordinance, 1902, which  
is set forth on page 290 of the Re-  
gulations of Hong Kong, 1844-1925,  
and which specifies the places at  
which cars shall be brought to a  
standstill, is amended by the dele-  
tion of the words "Junction of  
Des Voeux Road Central and Jubilee  
Street, at Central Market," in lines  
14 and 15, and the substitution  
thereof of the words "Junction of  
Des Voeux Road Central and Queen  
Victoria Street." The foregoing  
rule shall come into operation on  
January.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Miss Betty Balfour, the British  
film actress, is still dangerously  
ill in the Hotel Westminster,  
Paris, from pneumonia and  
muscular rheumatism, states a  
message from London, dated  
December 29.

Major-General R. H. Morgan,  
C.B.E., who is advanced to that  
rank, at present commands the  
Chatham Division. He was  
Senior Naval Intelligence Officer  
in China in 1911-16, and G.S.O.,  
1st grade, Hong Kong, during  
the last two years of the late  
war.

For the command of H.M.S.  
"Heliotepe," which will replace  
the lost "Valerian" on the North  
American Station, Commander  
V. E. Ward, a submarine com-  
mander, has been selected. He  
is familiar with the sloop class  
by having commanded the  
"Magnolia" on the China Station  
in 1923-24.

Friends of Mr. W. Woodstock,  
late of the Asiatic Petroleum Co.,  
Penang, will be interested to learn  
that he has now made his home in  
South Africa and has been ap-  
pointed District Sales Manager of  
the Ford Motor Co. (S.A.) Ltd., at  
Durban. He was to marry on  
December 3, Miss Avie Currie, of  
Durban.

The Lady Jane Grey, and Mrs.  
Theodore Stephenson, the wife of  
Major General T. E. Stephenson,  
C.B., who was some years ago G.O.C.  
in Singapore, are paying a visit to  
Hong Kong. They arrived here on  
the "Sarpedon" and propose staying  
with friends on the Peak for a  
month before returning to England,  
via Palestine.

Mr. R. F. Johnston, C.B.E.,  
one of the greatest authorities on  
China, who has been in London  
for some months in connection  
with the proposal to remit the  
Boxer indemnity, left on Dec. 2  
for Tientsin. Mr. Johnston  
spent some six years in Peking  
as tutor to the ex-emperor  
Hsuan-Tung. Mr. Johnston was  
received in audience by the King  
recently.

The death is announced in  
London of Sir Rupert Clarke  
aged 61.

The death has occurred of Mrs.  
M. Baxter, founder of the Central  
Indian Hill Mission.

A Paris message dated Decem-  
ber 29 records the death of M.  
Henry Cochon, the distinguished  
French scholar and critic, who  
has died aged 78.



The Royal Court photographer of  
Rome has just made this portrait  
of Count Fermo Ratti, only brother  
of the Pope.

The following deaths were re-  
ported in mail week:—Sir George  
W. Baxter, of Inverleigh, For-  
farshire, a Dundee flax manu-  
facturer, at Ashness, Keswick,  
Cumberland, aged 78. The Rev.  
E. C. F. Macpherson, C.M.G.,  
formerly Assistant  
Chaplain-General to the Forces,  
died at Chawton, Alton, Hamp-  
shire, where he was to have been  
inducted as rector, aged 83. Col.  
Simson Exham, superintending  
engineer of the Portsmouth and  
South dockyards from 1895 to  
1911, at Falmouth, aged 76.

Mr. Israel Zangwill, who died on  
August 1, left £3,267. But he  
evidently thought his estate would  
be much larger when he wrote his  
will in 1920 in his own hand on a  
page out of an exercise book. He  
bequeathed £4,000, or "as much as  
is available in equal amount," to  
his three children, and all his  
literary properties to his wife, and  
any surplus up to £1,000 to the  
Zionist Organisation.

Mrs. Patrick McEnroy, wife of the  
proprietor of the Three Stages Hotel,  
Kennington Road, was the Prince  
of Wales's first partner at the Brit-  
ish Legion's dance at Lambeth  
Baths. Afterwards the Prince  
chose pretty Miss Huckle, and  
danced the flat Charleston. When  
the band stopped he waved for  
more, and wound-up a hectic two  
hours with the Paul Jones, in which  
he had four partners in as many  
minutes.

The marriage of Georgina Lady  
Sholto Douglas and Comte Fernand  
Bertier de Sauvigny has taken place  
at Prince's-row Register Office,  
Buckingham Palace Road. The  
witnesses were Mr. Mosselman,  
brother of the bride, and Comte  
Gerard Bertier de Sauvigny, brother  
of the bridegroom, and several  
friends were present. Afterwards  
there was a luncheon party at  
Claridge's Hotel, at which the  
French Ambassador, Princess  
Lowenstein-Wertheim, Lady  
Wemyss, Lady Cynthia Asquith,  
and Comte de Limur were among  
the guests.

The following deaths were re-  
ported in mail week:—Col. H. Cary  
George Batten, a barrister, who  
formerly practised on the western  
circuit, and a director of the Lon-  
don County Westminster and  
Parr's Bank, Ltd., at his Somerset  
residence, aged 77. Councillor  
Alfred Lewis, a former chairman of  
the Kettering Council, aged 72.  
Mr. Edward Parry, of Kidderminster,  
founder of "The Kidder-  
minster Shuttle," organ of the  
carpet trade, an ex-mayor of Kid-  
derminster, aged 90. Mr. George  
Ernest Nettle, a Lincoln  
auctioneer.

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A specially brilliant programme, entirely new and  
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1. Magician Indian Fakir.
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5. The Magic Mirror.
6. Adventures.
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9. Disappearance Trick.
10. Mystery.
11. Transfiguration through Air.
12. Magic Corpse.
13. Linked and Unlinked.
14. Animals which vanish before the eyes of the public.
15. Transfiguration of a man into a chicken.

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## SPORTS SECTION

## THE LAST TESTS.

AUSTRALIA'S PROFIT OF \$20,700.

MORE THAN IN 1921.

Sydney, Jan. 7. The Australian cricket Board of Control has announced the profits of last season's tour in England as \$20,700, which is \$2,000 more than in 1921.—Reuter.

## SHEFFIELD SHIELD.

VARSITY MEN'S CRICKET DEBUT.

RESULTS OF 2 MATCHES.

London, Dec. 22, 2 p.m. Adelaide—New South Wales defeated South Australia by 4 wickets in the Sheffield Shield competition. The following are the scores:—

South Australia 500 and 286 runs (total 786). New South Wales 341 runs and 445 runs for 6 wickets (total 787).

For New South Wales, Andrews scored 66 in the first innings. Williams took 5 wickets for 155 runs, and Grimmett 4 wickets for 110 runs. In the second innings, Phillips scored 52, Andrews 56, not out. Andrews played a solid and elegant innings and hit eight fours. He batted for 222 minutes. Morgan gave a confident display and was brilliant at times. He batted for 169 minutes and hit 12 fours.

In South Australia's second innings, Ryemill scored 50, and Alexander 104. The latter gave a solid and stylish display, batting for 223 minutes and hitting four fours. McNamee took 4 wickets for 63 runs.

Queensland Defeated. Victoria scored an innings victory over Queensland in the Sheffield Shield competition. The following are the scores:—

Queensland 147 and 217 runs (total 364). Victoria 533 runs. For Victoria, Ponsford scored 151 and Hendry 140. The two Varsity players, Riggs and King, made their first appearances in inter-State cricket and scored 62 and 50, respectively. The Queenslanders, R. Oxenham, took 4 wickets for 126 runs.

In Queensland's second innings, Mayes scored 70, while Norton, the fast bowler, took 4 wickets for 67 runs, and Ryder 3 wickets for 27 runs.

## GOLF CLUB.

TITLE OF PRESIDENT NOW ABOLISHED.

The post of President was abolished at an extraordinary general meeting of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club in the board room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., yesterday evening. The Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax presided. Resolutions passed at the extraordinary general meeting held on Dec. 16, were submitted for confirmation as a special resolution, as follows:—

"That the Articles of Association be altered as follows:—  
(a) In Articles 47 and 82 the word 'President' be deleted.  
(b) In Articles 68, 73, 74 and 82 the word 'Captain' shall be substituted for the word 'President'."

Mr. Hallifax briefly explained the object for which the meeting had been called and formally proposed the confirmation of the above resolution as a special resolution. This motion was carried unanimously.

## FANLING GOLF.

The ladies' handicaps now having been worked out, the result of the R.H.K.G.C. Mixed Medal Handicap competition at Fanling during the New Year holidays is given below:—

L. G. S. Dodwell & Mrs. Dodwell won with a score of 83, minus handicap of 11, equals 72. Other scores were:—R. K. Valentine and Mrs. Middleton Smith 89 (14) 75, T. S. Whyte Smith and Miss Dyer 88 (12) 76; H. U. Ireland and Mrs. Ireland 89 (12) 77.

A party of five, including Cecil Young, the trainer, and jockeys M. Tighe, and E. Vinnal, were motoring to Gatwick races on December 15, when their car collided with another car near Crawley. Young was slightly hurt. Tighe, who was sitting beside the driver, was killed instantaneously.

## M.C.C. TOUR.

SANDHAM GETS HIS 7TH CENTURY.

TEAM'S 6TH VICTORY.

Calcutta, Dec. 28. In the second day's play between the M.C.C. and the British in the East, the tourists passed the home eleven's score of 146 for the loss of three wickets and were all out for 326.

The batting was sound and cautious. Sandham made 112, his seventh century in the tour, Astill 41, Brown 39, Earle 30 and Geary 30. Astill took six wickets for 72.

Calcutta, Dec. 29. The M.C.C. defeated the British in the East by an innings and 56 runs.

The first innings scores were British in the East 146, M.C.C. 326.

In their second innings the home eleven were out for 125, of which Gulise made 49, Major Brooke 33, Aston 11, Hosie 16 and Meyer not out 11. Tarrant was absent on account of injury.

Boyes took seven for 52 and Astill two for 40.

This was the tourists' sixth victory.

J. L. Gulise (Oxford and Middlesex), Hubert Ashton (Cambridge and Essex), C. P. Johnstone (Cambridge and Kent), A. L. Hosie (Hants) and F. A. Tarrant (Middlesex) played for the Europeans in the East. With the exception of Tarrant, they were also chosen for the All-India team which included three Indians, namely, C. K. Naidu, R. Jamshetti and Nazir Ali.

## "RED" GRANGE.



"Red" Grange, acclaimed as the greatest of American football players, is back on the gridiron after about a year of making cinema films.

## LADIES' TENNIS.

MRS. TOTTENHAM RETAINS CHAMPIONSHIP.

Winning in two straight sets yesterday, Mrs. R. E. Tottenham retained the singles tennis championship of the Colony.

Miss Robinson got through to the final round of the competition promoted by the Ladies' Recreation Club. She played a good forceful game but the holder's courtcraft and length beat her.

Mrs. Tottenham hit hard and placed accurately both with her back-hand and forehand. As a left-hand player she took Miss Robinson's sharp cross-court drives on her back-hand but she still had the mastery.

The challenger also made some nice side-line drives.

After a week opening and loss of the first game, Mrs. Tottenham took five games in succession and ultimately won 6-3, 6-2.

## WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP.

St. Louis, Jan. 7. Tex Rickard has six candidates in mind to oppose Gene Tunney for the heavy weight boxing championship of the world, namely Dempsey, Berlenbach, Sharkey, Delaney, Paolino and Maloney. Rickard will hold elimination contests, the survivor of which will fight Dempsey for the right to meet Tunney.—Reuter's American Service.

The Earl of Carnarvon's Dousha won the Liverpool Autumn Cup.

With a perch weighing 70z. 6dr. Mr. J. Lowndes, of the Wellington Angling Society, won the Green Cup competition of the London Angling Association, which was fished for on the Thames at Marlow. The competitors, who travelled by special train, numbered 396, but owing to the poor conditions only five fish were caught. The total catch of the 386 anglers in 5½ hours was 1 lb. 11 oz. 14 dr.

## FUNERALS.

YESTERDAY'S HAPPY VALLEY CEREMONIES.

POLICE SERGT. HERBERT.

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon at the Protestant cemetery of Police Sergeant Herbert, who was found at the Taimtsai police station on Wednesday suffering from a gunshot wound.

The gun carriage upon which the coffin was placed was escorted to the graveside from the Arsenal street pier by a large number of the deceased's late colleagues.

Among those present were, Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E., (Deputy Superintendent of Police), Inspector W. Kent (Chief Inspector), Inspector J. Ogg (Officer in Charge of the Water Police Station), Inspector Bond (Officer in Charge of the Harbour Police), Inspector Spear, Sub-Inspectors Logan, J. Murphy, Dick, Mr. C. Greenwood and others, including a number of sergeants and lance sergeants.

The wreaths included tributes from Fred and Jack, Chief Detective Inspector T. Murphy; Inspector and Mrs. J. Ogg; Inspectors Grant and Logan, Inspector and Mrs. Dick; Sub-Inspector and Mrs. K. W. Andrew; Sub-Inspector Perkins and Sgt. Joy; Mr. and Mrs. H. Phillips; Mr. and Mrs. Carey; Mr. and Mrs. Bloor; Messrs. Paterson and McLellan; Sub-Inspector and Mrs. Ellis; Mr. and Mrs. Hunt; Mr. and Mrs. Chester Woods.

Sgt. Munro and Duncan; Condon and Charman; Carson and Johnson; Read and O'Connell; Kelly; P. Barnicle; Harrison and Sabey and Mr. C. Greenwood. Room Mates: Lance Sergeants Mess. No. 2 Police Station; Warders Mess; Laichikok; Lance Sergeants; King Edward Hotel; Sergeants Mess, No. 2 Police Station; Lance Sergeants Mess, Central Police Station.

Mr. W. E. Rose. The funeral of Mr. W. E. Rose, whose death occurred at the French Hospital yesterday morning, took place at the Catholic cemetery yesterday afternoon, the Rev. Father Spada officiating. The chief mourners were, Mr. L. A. Rose, Miss Barros and Mr. T. Knight. The pall bearers were Messrs. P. A. Dixon, Geo. White, Van der Lely, C. S. Rosset, T. Knight and A. W. Lee.

Among those present were Messrs. A. Romahn, K. K. Mody, U. Omar, P. Musket, N. White, Y. Abbas, Rodriguez, E. L. Stainfield, H. Stainfield, Mr. and Mrs. R. Sousa, Mr. Lionel Lammer, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Bennett, Mr. D. Clow, Mr. A. Gillard, Mr. Neves, Mr. Jack Swanson and many others.

Floral tributes were sent by "Emily," "Sarah and Louisa," "Louis, Sue and Elsie."

The Craigengower Cricket Club; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph A. Cooper and family; Mr. Lionel E. Lammer; "Lily and Tom"; "Dolly"; Mr. and Mrs. Montalto de Jesus and family; Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Barrett; Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Stainfield; Mr. E. C. Rock; Mr. and Mrs. F. Billimoria; Mr. P. A. Dixon; Dr. J. W. Kew; Mr. and Mrs. H. Stainfield; Mr. Geo. White; "The Servants" of Craigengower Cricket Club; Mr. and Mrs. Y. Abbas; Capt. and Mrs. G. F. Spink; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. de Figueiredo and family; Mr. G. Rapp; Mr. G. C. White; Mr. C. A. C. Rodriguez; Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Dixon; Mr. and Mrs. F. Gonsalves; Mr. A. Khijumam; Mr. J. G. Swanson; Mr. and Mrs. A. Gillard; Mr. N. B. Musket; Mr. and Mrs. M. A. R. Souza; Mrs. M. T. Williams and family; Mr. and Mrs. L. L. da Silva; Mr. C. F. Rapp; Mr. Ricardo Basa.

Mr. M. P. Remedios. A large number of Portuguese residents attended the funeral yesterday afternoon of Mr. M. P. Remedios. The funeral rites were performed by Father Spada and among those present were:—Mr. Jensen, Mr. Nielsen, Mr. Summers-Paterson, Mr. Allan, Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa, Mr. A. Silva-Netto, Mr. A. A. Alves, Mr. A. E. S. Alves, Mr. J. Lee, Mr. H. Sequeira, Mr. E. M. Rocha, Mr. M. Figueiredo, Mr. J. d'Almeida, Mr. A. J. Rodrigues, Mr. M. A. Gomes, Mr. D. J. Lopes, Mr. A. Pinna, and many others.

Wreaths were sent by the following:—Chinese Counter Staff and Comrades of G. E. E. Tel. Co. Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Leggatt; "The Electrical Staff"; Mr. J. C. de-Sousa; Botelho; Mr. Carlos d'Assumpcao; Mr. A. A. Botelho; Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Remedios; Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Botelho; "Club Lusitano"; "Associação Portuguesa de Socorros Mutuos"; Mr. Francisco da Rocha; Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Luz; Mr. Ng Kai-ning; Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Rosario; The Supervising

## RICSHA COOLIES.

BISHOP VALTORTA'S PLEA FOR HELP.

YESTERDAY'S MEETING.

After the aims of the meeting called yesterday by Bishop Valtorta in connection with the proposal to ameliorate the lot of ricksha and chair coolies had been explained and some discussion taken place, it was decided that a provisional committee should be appointed for the purpose of collecting information to enable a concrete scheme to be formulated and submitted to a public meeting to be called later.

Addressing the meeting, Bishop Valtorta said that undoubtedly what guided these coolies in the selection of an occupation which entailed hardship was not necessarily personal choice, but economic conditions in native centres, which compelled these men to go far afield to get a living in preference to slow starvation at home.

Hardship on Wives.

Something was achieved towards the amelioration of their own lot and the lot of those dependent upon them if things moved in the way they should, but it was not always so. The men failed to remit the wherewithal for the support of their families at home, and the best proof of that was the fact, falling within the personal experience of the speaker, that "wreaths of waiting" the wives of these men at length left the country to look for their husbands in this Colony, only to discover on arrival that conditions were little better than at home.

What was the cause of this seeming paradox? It was not that their earnings were not enough—his Lordship had been told by a one-time Traffic Inspector that on a rainy day the receipts amounted to as much as \$10, and on an ordinary day, an average two or three dollars—but because most of these earnings had been "krambled" or in other questionable ways frittered away.

Gambling Tendency.

To gamble was the only recreation afforded them, and the need of the moment was not so much to raise the earnings of these men as to bring about better conditions wherein uplifting and beneficial recreation could be substituted for the sole means they had at their disposal.

Mr. J. M. Alves promised the support of his organization for the work and letters were read from the two Chinese representatives on the Legislative Council indicating their willingness to give the movement every support.

## FOOD FROM THE HEAVENS.

Madrid, Jan. 1.

The Government is despatching aeroplanes to drop food supplies for passengers stranded in a train on the Madrid to Albacete which is blocked by snow to a depth of five feet. Snow is still falling and relief trains were forced to return.

## NORWEGIAN ESTIMATES.

Oslo, Dec. 29.

The Norwegian Finance Minister estimates 40,000,000 kroner reduction in revenue owing to a fall in the taxes and public utilities.

Staff: Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Rodrigues, Mr. E. J. Paterson; Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Silva; Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Castro, and many others.

Mr. Kwan Fuk. The funeral yesterday afternoon of Senior Chinese Revenue Officer Kwan Fuk was attended by all the Chinese members of the Revenue Service off duty. Among the wreaths sent were ones from the Superintendent of the Imports and Exports Department, Chief Preventive Officer, European Revenue Officers, Chinese Revenue Officers, Clerical Staff of Imports and Exports Department.

Stoker Richard Freeborn. The funeral also took place at the Protestant Cemetery yesterday of Stoker Richard Freeborn, of H.M.S. "Vindictive" who succumbed to tuberculosis at the age of 32 years.

The service was conducted by the Rev. J. Knight-Anstey, while H.M.S. "Hawkins" provided a firing party.

Old China Hand. A very old China hand has passed away in the person of Mr. Thomas Mercer, who died on Dec. 3 at Chessington House, Ewell, Surrey. He was an old resident of Canton and Hong Kong, where he spent many years in the tea and silk trades. His was a well-known and commanding figure. After his return from China he passed many years in the City, only relinquishing his work a few years ago. Mr. Mercer was in his eighty-eighth year.

## STRONG PROTESTS.

COUNCILLORS RESENT SERMON.

CATHEDRAL REMARKS.

The Rev. C. B. Roach, Priest-Vicar of Southwark Cathedral, drew protests from several borough councillors by his remarks in a sermon at a municipal service at the cathedral.

He described Southwark as a poverty-stricken, sordid, squalid locality, whereupon Councillor W. J. Westcott, a former mayor, rising from his seat, exclaimed, "Be fair." Ignoring the interruption, the preacher declared that in a recent history of Southwark it was stated that no one lived in Southwark except those compelled by business or poverty.

Councillor Fred Bird indignantly remarked that it was an unjust observation.

"In 1906," continued Mr. Roach, "William the Conqueror burnt Southwark; in the reign of King John it was again burnt; in 1676 a great fire destroyed most of Borough High-street; and last summer, just as a nice little fire started in Great Guildford-street, Southwark, the fire brigade came along and put it out and one's hopes were dashed to the ground."

Mr. Roach remarked that Southwark might once more make history. It might possess a borough council which might proudly boast, "We never framed municipal policy with one eye on the next election."

This drew another protest from Councillor Westcott, who said it was a libel.

## BOYS SEIZE TRAIN.

CELEBRATING A FOOTBALL VICTORY.

SEQUEL IN JAIL.

Thirty high-school students, ten of whom are under 16 years of age, are in jail at Philadelphia as the result of a "frolic" after a football victory.

They celebrated the victory with the customary violations of the prohibition laws and then sallied forth to the nearest tube station. There they took possession of a train, from which they ejected the guards and the driver, after smashing the seats and electric lights and locking the doors against passengers.

One of the students took command of the switch and drove the train several miles to West Philadelphia.

The police, who had been apprised of the escapade, forced an entrance when the train stopped. A fight ensued, and finally the boys were subdued and conveyed to jail, where their wounds were attended to pending their trial for "malicious mischief, assault, and battery."

## WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on January 1, 1927: CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

1926 1927  
Tyam ..... 35' 7" B. 13' 8" B.  
Tyam Byewash ..... 22' 4" B. 23' 4" B.  
Tyam Intermediate ..... 0' 4" B. Level  
Tyam-Tuk ..... 27' 2" B. 12' 11" B.  
Wong Nei Chung ..... 21' 4" B. 15' 2" B.  
Fokulum ..... 19' 0" B. 17' 11" B.  
(Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow". A denotes "Above Overflow".)  
Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

1926 1927  
Tyam ..... 149.40 278.72  
Tyam Byewash ..... 1.74 .59  
Tyam Intermediate ..... 197.78 185.99  
Tyam-Tuk ..... 341.00 121.76  
Wong Nei Chung ..... 8.96 13.59  
Fokulum ..... 28.80 28.28

Total ..... 1,225.18 1,638.91  
Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of December:—

1925 1926  
Consumption ..... 226.84 244.29  
Estimated Population 397,500 407,620  
per day (gallons) ..... 18.4 19.3  
Full Supply in all Riser Main Districts up to the 8th December and Interim Supply in all Riser Main Districts from 9th to 31st December 1926. Full Supply in all Riser Main Districts during December, 1926 with the exception of the districts West of Eastern Street where an Interim Supply was given from 4th to 31st December, 1926.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

1926 1927  
Kowloon Gravitation ..... 19' 7" B. 7' 0" B.  
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir 4' 7" B. 0' 7" B.  
Reception Reservoir ..... 8' 4" B.  
Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

1926 1927  
Kowloon Gravitation ..... 179.78 233.50  
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir ..... 82.85 98.40  
Reception Reservoir ..... 24.55  
Total ..... 262.60 406.45  
Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of December:—

1925 1926  
Consumption ..... 68.27 74.89  
Estimated population 138,100 158,140  
per day (gallons) ..... 14.4 15.3  
Full Supply in all districts during December 1926 and 1927. The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.  
Total rainfall to December 31, 1926, 87.58 December 31, 1926, 100.78.

## LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 8, 1927, 10.30 a.m.

Name	Hongkong Stock Exchange	Hongkong Sharebrokers' Association	Settle Share & Mail Society
T.T. on London	111 3/4	111 3/4	112 1/2
T.T. on Shanghai	80 1/4	80 1/4	non.
Banks			
Hongkong Bank	1120 s	1115 b	1120 n
do. London	1115 n	—	112 1/2 n
Chartered Bank	121 n	121 n	—
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	131 n	132 n	—
do. C.	113 1/2 n	113 1/2 n	—
P. & O. Bank	103 1/4 b	110 n	—
Bank of East Asia	84 n	80 s	76 b
Marine Insurance			
Canton Insurance	640 b	650 s	640 b
China Underwriters	145 n	130 n	120 s
North China Insurance	1145 n	140 n	—
Union Insurance	290 s	289 b	290 n
Yangtze Insurance	145 M. n	40 n	—
Fire Insurance			
China Fire Insurance	200 b	200 b	—
H.K. Fire Insurance	615 b	615 b	615 b
Shipping			
Douglases	29 1/2 b	28 1/2 b	29 b
Hongkong Steamboats	25 1/2 s	26 1/2 s	25 1/2 s
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	1.10 n	2 1/4 n	1 1/2 n
Indo-China (Pref)	32 b	30 n	30 n
do. (Def.)	42 b	40 n	40 s
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Canton Ice	5 n	4 s	5 n
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do. (old)	9 n	7 1/2 n	7 b
do. (new)	2 n	1 1/2 n	1 n
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Nanyang Tobaccos	9 n	9 b	—
Peak Tram (old)	15 1/2 b	15 b	15 b
do. (new)	7 1/2 n	8 n	7 1/2 n
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Road engineers have discovered that it is possible to mix colour tints with the texture of the new hard pavement surfaces. Red concrete roads have made their appearance in the United States. Recently a British firm experimented with a pink road, and they are now discussing the possibility of laying a length of highway bright green in colour.

Visibility is very bad on some roads at night when they are "wet," and their shiny surfaces too often dazzle drivers by day when the sun is strong.

Would coloured roads remedy these defects? Would they help to solve the "dazzle light problem"? These are points which are being considered by road engineers.

An official of the Royal Automobile Club said:

"I should imagine that red roads would be most trying to the eyes of drivers. A green road might well prove very soothing and pleasing. It would considerably dull the driving light, but it might reduce the dazzle effect of headlights."

"I rather favour a primrose-coloured road, which would show up well at night and would be far preferable to the dark-coloured roads."

"This is another instance of, he who hesitates is lost," said Mr. Ingleby Oddie at Westminster Coroner's Court recently, in emphasising the terrible danger of hesitating and "dodging about" when in traffic. "I am always advocating the importance of pedestrians standing still when they find themselves in difficulties," he added, when recording a verdict of accidental death, and exonerating the driver in a case in which Caroline Maria Ball, 71, formerly a governess, of Park-lane, Tottenham, was knocked down by a taxicab in

When Mr. A. R. Erskine, President of The Studebaker Corporation of America, saw the last nail driven in the shipping box that was to carry the first Erskine Six to the Paris Salon he knew that a dream had come true, and another epoch in Studebaker's 75 years of history had begun.

For the Erskine Six, revealed at the Paris Salon as Studebaker's new 2 1/3 litre European car, is the embodiment of an ideal conceived two years ago in Paris. There Studebaker dealers from all over Europe had gathered to tell Mr. Erskine their conception of the ideal type of car for European drivers. The descriptive composite of this ideal car, derived from the cumulative

He'd Rather Dodge a Bear Than a Motor



Col. Moore giving advice on a mountain journey to a fair visitor at Banff.

An encounter with a grizzly in the heart of the Canadian Pacific Rockies is a tame experience compared with dodging through traffic in Montreal, according to Col. Phil A. Moore, pioneer guide of Banff, Alberta, who arrived at Windsor Station, Montreal, over C.P.R. lines recently.

But of course, Col. Moore feels differently about bears and other wild animals than most people do. He knows them intimately, and has made a careful study of their habits and disposition during his 25 years of residence in the mountains. He peep-holes the common belief that there are no bears in the mountains. He himself has identified 107 varieties. "Of course one must use their eyes," he explains.

Col. Moore visited the East recently before continuing his journey to Chicago, where he fulfilled an engagement with the United States Bureau of Economics giving series of lectures on Canada.

BRITISH INVESTORS' TRIUMPH.

A London cable message states that a signal triumph for British industrial research is marked by the announcement that, after experiments with several American types, Mr. Henry Ford has adopted for his cars a well-known rim of the type originally evolved at Fort Dunlop, Birmingham, and already part of the standard equipment of over nine out of ten cars of British make.

The idea of the new rim is older than the first motor-car, for it was used on the Dunlop-Welch bicycle tyre in 1890. During the war it came into prominence in connection with cushioning aeroplanes against the uneven surface of landing fields.

The rim, which is cheaper than its predecessors, allows a tyre to be taken off and put on without the use of any tools, and the tyre itself, having greater air space, absorbs more shock.

Although the idea of the rim is now patented in all countries, the inventors are so convinced that its universal adoption would be for the benefit of everybody concerned that they are giving manufacturers rights to anyone who wants them.

showed that she hesitated while crossing the road.

In another case, that of Athol Alfred Knight, 74, of independent means, the father of Mr. A. C. Knight, a solicitor, similar evidence was given. A verdict of death as a result of an inevitable accident was recorded. Mr. Knight, it was stated, was crossing from St. Martin's place to Duncannon-street when he "dodged about" in the traffic and was knocked down by a taxicab.

WORLD AIR RECORDS.

News has just been received from Germany of two seaplane world records that have been created by Captain von Gronan, flying a Heinkel-Napier seaplane. The records achieved are for altitude whilst carrying heavy loads. The machine, weighted with 2,204 1/2 lb., reached a height of two and three-quarter miles, whilst with half this load it reached an altitude of three and a half miles. These records are subject to confirmation by the Federation Aeronautique Internationale.

Although Great Britain does not herself hold any world flying records, yet her products have helped in this case to create records. This is the same machine which won the Commercial Seaplane Competition held at Warnemunde recently.

tive experience of men who were experts in their knowledge, was turned over to the Studebaker engineering staff on Mr. Erskine's return from Europe at the close of 1924. The combined genius of a \$100,000,000 corporation started the task of translating this ideal into an actuality. Every resource of the corporation and of its \$1,000,000 Proving Ground and experimental laboratories were brought into play to determine that the Erskine Six, as it was finally conceived, was ready for the markets of the world. Test after test pronounced the car ready for its debut in the world's greatest international motor show.

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## THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

An Ottawa message says the Government has issued a call for 14,000 men for farm work in Canada this spring.

According to repeated unconfirmed reports from Athens, grave unrest reigns in the Greek Army among the Royalist officers.

The cries of a 5-months-old baby awakened one of the occupants, all of whom escaped, when fire occurred in a Bradford dwelling-house.

Mussolini has approved an appropriation from the Italian Red Cross funds for the relief of the Albanian sufferers from the recent earthquake.

For the last time in Salford, Manchester, a rate was passed by Salford justices under a 400-years-old Act; in future rates will be levied by the town council.

The participants in the recent Albanian revolt were court-martialled at Scutari. Five were sentenced to death, 46 to imprisonment including life sentences.

According to the "Petit Parisien" following the recent plot against Primo de Rivera and the King, twenty were arrested whereof four were court-martialled and shot.

The League has submitted the Danube Commission controversy to the Hague International Court for definition of the Commission's competency which Roumania queries.

The Zoological Department of the British Museum has received a gift of two exceptionally large specimens of the glassy bodies of uncertain origin known as tekites, from the F.M.S., presented to the Museum by Mr. J. B. Scrivener.

The Czechoslovak Sokol-Community, numbering 500,000 has resolved to sharply protest against the Vatican's veto forbidding Catholic Poles and Serbs to participate in the Sokol-Congress commemorating John Hus.

Mrs. Rebecca Butterfield, aged 101, died in the infirmary at the Poor Law Institution, Windsor.

At a county meeting at Leamington it was decided to form a Warwickshire branch of the National Playing Fields Association.

A New York message states that five workmen were killed and nine were injured when an explosion occurred at the Dupont powderworks at Carney's Point, New Jersey.

On the suggestion of Mr. Arthur James, Mayor of Newport, Monmouthshire, several South Wales towns held thanksgiving services for the restoration of peace in the coal industry.

When the flying boat on the Southampton to Guernsey service of Imperial Airways, Ltd., was returning to the air port at Woolston, Southampton, it made a descent off the Needles, Isle of Wight, owing to lack of fresh water.

Stolen from outside the Winter Gardens, Deal, on September 1, while the owner, Lady Sargent, wife of Lord Justice Sargent, was opening a charity bazaar, a five-seater motor-car has just been located in a Portsmouth garage.

A reprieve having been refused, Charles Houghton, a butler, was executed at Gloucester jail for the murder of his employers, the Misses Elmer Drinkwater Woodhouse and Martha Gordon Woodhouse, at Burghill Court, Herefordshire.

An express train from York to Bristol was passing on the opposite line at Parkgate, near Rotherham (Yorkshire), a coal-laden mineral train, when one of the wagons jumped the rails and ripped open the sides of most of the coaches, killing nine persons and injuring twenty-seven. Among those killed were the Rev. F. W. Davis, a well-known Cheltenham preacher, and Mr. H. Wollman, of Shirley, a leading grower of violas and chrysanthemums.

A Paris message states that following the Catalan plot the Government has reinforced the military police on the Franco-Spanish frontier.

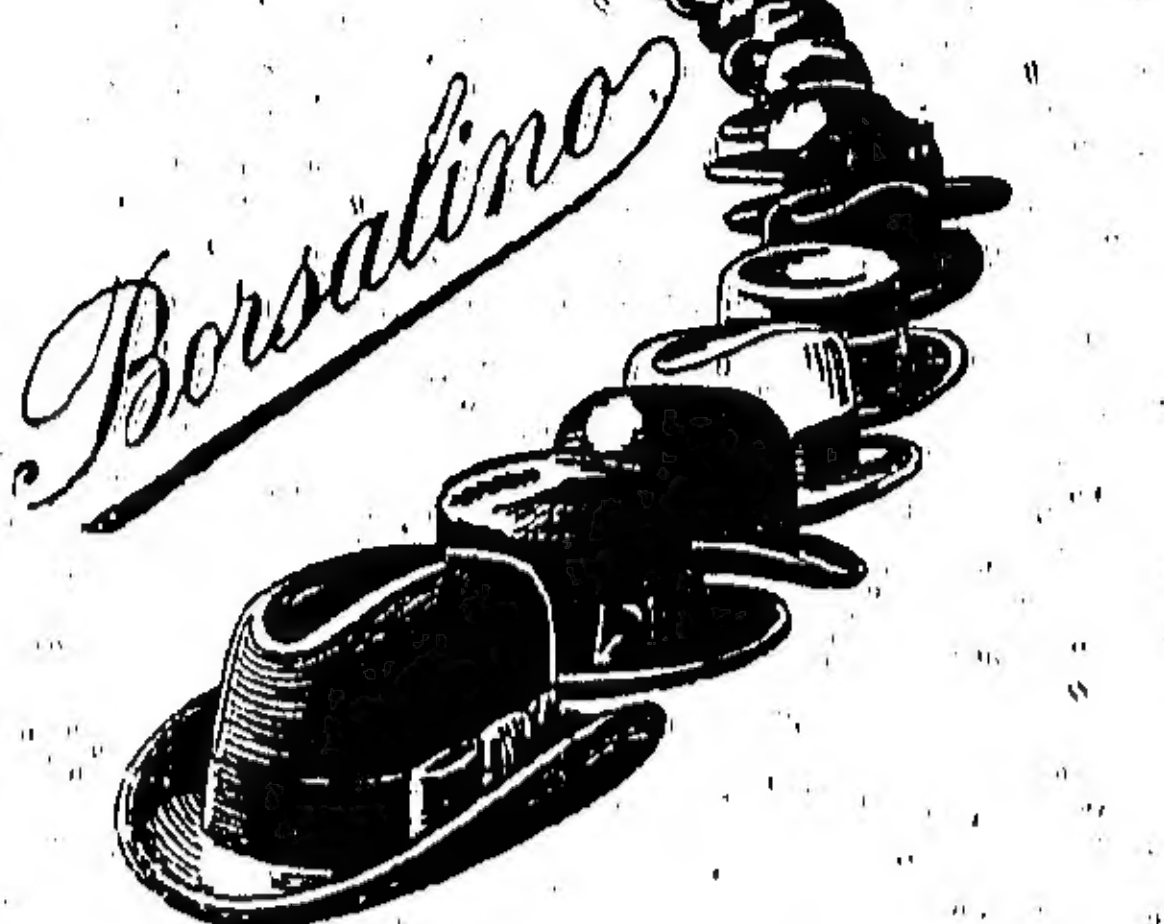
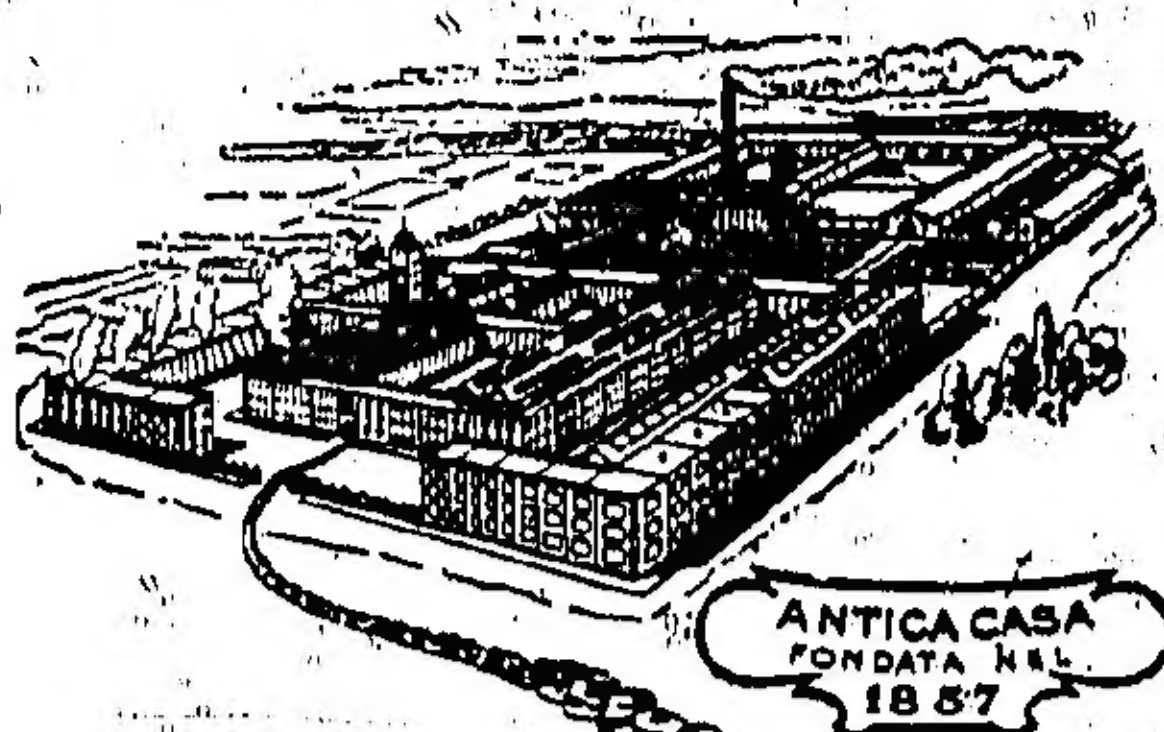
Charged at Hull with drunkenness George Drinkwater, labourer, asked for a chance to live in accordance with his name, and in reply to a question said he was not working.

The solicitors of the corporation announce that owing to differences between the National Pictures have terminated Mr. J. D. Williams' agreement as managing director. Mr. Williams has issued a writ claiming damages for breach of contract.

Folkestone Town Council decided to grant licences to the omnibuses of the Co-operative Transport Society, which had been previously refused because of the society's failure to carry out their timetables on the routes during the general strike.

The Soviet press attaches great importance to the Kovno court-martial on four Communists and violently attacks this alleged political persecution. It foreshadows foreign political consequences. Meanwhile the Lithuanian Government denies the reported execution and states that the condemned received pardon in the last moment.

Viscount Peel, who moved the second reading of the Electricity Bill, which he contended, was justified, because we were behind our competitors, we were not making as much progress as they were making, and our progress was being made along wrong, uneconomical, and wasteful lines. Viscount Haldane said that the bill was a really great attempt to advance the condition of industry and to make the condition of the working class better. In the opinion of Lord Weir the necessity for the bill was overwhelming. Lord Banbury described the scheme as nothing more or less than disguised confiscation.



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## The Fur Wrap.



In advance of the snows, the early winter models showed an interested public what to wear smartly to its favourite club and theatre. The wrap which covers the frock of new lines and colours is important in the mode. It serves as the first glimpse of chic. It usually covers an ensemble of interesting lines and details.

The fur wrap is the acknowledged covering for formal occasions, and ermine, so becoming to youth and flattering to middle age, is again well in the front of the mode.

Lines on the newest wraps indicate that the daintier type will predominate. Pale, smoothly in diagonal lines and do not lend themselves to unusual patterns this winter. They possess a general appearance of simplicity despite the somewhat fuller lines forecast. Ermine, always smart, when trimmed with white fox, is again a favourite medium for introducing a youthful model. In wraps for women, the glossy black of the fox or Hudson seal is smartly combined and proves interesting. These wraps of black and white are very smart and generally find a lining of black velvet very chic. The white fur wrap usually depends upon its lining for its colour appeal, and this year the gayer the colour the smarter will be the wrap. Scarlets are particularly effective while the brilliance of lames in gold and silver with a rose or blue design is often found effective. Canary yellow or orange are other favourites in the colours which line the newest wraps.

Dorothy Mackall, on a recent trip to New York during the filming of First National's "Subway Sadie," selected several smart wraps for the fall. One worn in a scene from the picture is of all-white in wrap-around lines and is smartly trimmed with white fox for a collar and panel down the front. Lacquer red created an interesting colour note in the lining.

## The Daytime Mode.



The eye of Paris has taken in all the lovely designs of nature as well as patterns made conventional by man and the hand of Paris has turned them into fabrics for the winter mode with the greatest ease and versatility. There appears in the new fabrics which will grace the smart new costumes patterns of intricate character. They have taken to themselves the outlines of flowers, insects, birds, leaves, trees, cloud effects, and old hints affect in their combinations. In the conventional patterns, herringbones for tweeds, odd dotted designs, squares, geometrical figures and cross-cross designs all are delightfully shown in new fabrics.

The daytime mode which leans towards sports occasions, shows a decided tendency to place plaids in the foreground, with red predominating. New versions of kasha, called kashimella, shikasha, pallu-kasha, kashador, kashacloster and the very lovely velvet kasha. The new kasha fabrics lend themselves beautifully to the unusual patterns which are being featured. Wool and silk mixtures are seen under many names and are particularly appealing. They are found in many

lovely patterns and will undoubtedly fashion many of the season's smartest gowns and coats.

Velours and velvets are much seen where the new fabrics are exhibited. Velvets will be much worn and they are particularly smart when combined with the flat crepes.

Crope silks appear in many varieties and under many names. A few are crepella, crepe marocain, and the sheer crepes.

Printed chiffon velvets, velvet broadens, and other fabrics employing velvet make it clear that velvets play an extremely important part in the new mode. Velvetens, lustreless woolsens, sports woolsens mixtures, silk crepes, woolsens crepes and chiffons and lames all are seen in new roles and in new patterns to intrigue the eye.

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Halphong	SATURDAY, JANUARY 8.	1.30 p.m.
Shanghai	SATURDAY, JANUARY 8.	2.30 p.m.
Saigon	SATURDAY, JANUARY 8.	3.30 p.m.
Port Sayard	SATURDAY, JANUARY 8.	5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	SUNDAY, JANUARY 9.	8.30 a.m.
Port Sayard	SUNDAY, JANUARY 9.	9 a.m.
Swatow	SUNDAY, JANUARY 9.	9 a.m.
Amoy	SUNDAY, JANUARY 9.	9 a.m.
Swatow Amoy and Formosa	MONDAY, JANUARY 10.	8.30 a.m.
Manila	MONDAY, JANUARY 10.	10.30 a.m.
Randakan	MONDAY, JANUARY 10.	12.30 p.m.
Straits	MONDAY, JANUARY 10.	1.30 p.m.
Manila & Europe via Germany via Hamburg	TUESDAY, JANUARY 11.	3.30 p.m.
Amoy	TUESDAY, JANUARY 11.	6 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	TUESDAY, JANUARY 11.	1.30 p.m.
Straits	TUESDAY, JANUARY 11.	1.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Suez	WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12.	1.30 p.m.
Wai Hai Wei	WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12.	2.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A. & S. America & EUROPE via "VICTORIA, R.C." via Victoria B.C.	WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12.	2.30 p.m.
Saigon, Suez, Japan & Europe via Suez	WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12.	2.30 p.m.
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Swatow	WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12.	2.30 p.m.
Randakan	THURSDAY, JANUARY 13.	12.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	THURSDAY, JANUARY 13.	1.30 p.m.
Saigon	THURSDAY, JANUARY 13.	1.30 p.m.
Halphong & Haiphong	THURSDAY, JANUARY 13.	1.30 p.m.
Java via Batavia	THURSDAY, JANUARY 13.	1.30 p.m.
Manila, AUSTRALIA & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island 10 a.m. Registration 8 p.m. Letters 8 p.m.	THURSDAY, JANUARY 13.	1.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	FRIDAY, JANUARY 14.	1.30 p.m.
Halphong	FRIDAY, JANUARY 14.	1.30 p.m.
Manila	FRIDAY, JANUARY 14.	1.30 p.m.
Shanghai	FRIDAY, JANUARY 14.	1.30 p.m.

\*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

## "UP TO" CHEN.

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is added) no reason to suppose that the Canton Government, with the forces at its command, is unable to perform that imperative duty. If Mr. Chen and his associates are to justify their claim to be representative and a civilised administration, they must prove their instant readiness to perform one of the elementary functions of civilised society by defending the lives and property of peaceable citizens whether "extrajurisdictional" or not against murderous riots. Leaders, like Mr. Chen, must be apt enough to realise that without foreign trade conducted in circumstances of reasonable security, they will throttle "the goose that lays the golden eggs" and south-east China would be reduced economically to the status of a crude half-starved organism incapable of anything but slow, painful and laborious evolution from the beginning.—Reuter.

## LLOYDS UNDERWRITERS.

Rates on China Concessions.

London, Jan. 7. During the last few days Lloyds Underwriters have quoted a rate of five per cent. per month to cover the risk of damage to mercantile property in the foreign concessions of Hankow and one per cent. per month with regard to property in the foreign settlements of Shanghai and five per cent. for three months.—Reuter.

## A WARNING.

British Prestige in Far East.

London, Jan. 7. The "Morning Post" gives prominence to a letter, from Mr. Leefe, Chairman of the London China Association, who calls attention to the enormous British interests in Shanghai, which, with the safety of some 7,000 British residents, will be gravely imperilled if the Cantonese capture Shanghai, unless adequate measures are taken for their protection.

He refers to the evacuation of women and children at Hankow says that it is unknown whether, in the last resort, British evacuation from Shanghai is also contemplated; but, if so, such evacuation would mean the end of British prestige in the Far East and be a ruinous blow to our commerce with China.—Reuter.

## FRENCH COMMENTS.

Powers Urged to Defend Shanghai.

Paris, Jan. 7. Most of the morning journals comment on Hankow. "Pertinax" in the "Echo de Paris," writes that the Cantonese hitherto have confined their attention to the British, but the principles they proclaim affect all foreign Powers without distinction, and it was only for reasons of policy that they have so far respected the French and the Japanese concessions. He urges the Powers to defend Shanghai and the ports accessible to their warships, since trade with such centres develops in proportion as commerce becomes impossible in other parts of the country. "Le Gaulois" is of opinion that disunion among the Powers at a critical time would be particularly regrettable for the opportunities that would thereby be given to the Soviets. It adds that Russian Bolshevism is doubtless without real influence, except in so far as to inflame Nationalist passions, but it will become a permanent danger to Europe unless the Powers agree on a common policy to check such anti-foreign frenzy.—Reuter.

## No Fresh Incidents.

Rugby, Jan. 7. No fresh incidents are reported from Hankow, where the situation was yesterday described as quiet. The Chinese authorities have issued a proclamation guaranteeing the safety of British life and property. British warships, under Rear-Admiral Cameron, Commander of the British Yangtze flotilla, lie alongside the quays of the British Concession.—British Wireless Service.

## Mob Law at Kluksiang.

Shanghai, Jan. 7. A Hankow report states that 258 British women and children, also a few men, left for Shanghai early on Thursday morning.

At Kluksiang a riot on Thursday afternoon was directed against the Concession. Chinese military and police arrived just in time to hold back the crowd. Later, the crowd broke in at the Bund gate but was prevented from entering the Concession. Now all is quiet.—Reuter.

## Private Telegrams.

Hankow, Jan. 7. Private telegrams received in Shanghai state by arrangement with the Chinese military authorities, the British have resumed control of the Concession, and the Chinese soldiery, except the military police, have been withdrawn.—Reuter.

## Not Confirmed.

Shanghai, Jan. 7. Advice said to have been received here privately from Hankow, to the effect that control of the Concession had been resumed by the British, are unconfirmed.

The latest naval wireless message from Hankow, dated yesterday night, states that the Concession is still in the hands of the Chinese military. American women and children are now being evacuated.—Reuter.

## Position in Szechuan.

Peking, Jan. 7. The evacuation of British men as well as women from Chengtu and elsewhere in Szechuan and other parts of Southern and Western China has begun in some places and all preparations therefor have been completed in others. Altogether 60 American women and children have been evacuated at Hankow.—Reuter.

## Sir Miles Lampson.

Peking, Dec. 30. It is reported in local Chinese circles that during his interview with Dr. Wellington Koo at the Waichiaopu on Tuesday afternoon, Sir Miles Lampson, the new British Minister to China, said he would not present his credentials until a Government with the support of a united China had been formed. The report appearing in this morning's vernacular papers that Sir Miles Lampson left a copy of his letter of credence in the Waichiaopu is unfounded.

## Chang Visits Legations.

Peking, Dec. 30. Marshal Chang Tso-lin called on the heads of various Legations this afternoon. He was accompanied by Captain Wu Chin, Chief of the Diplomatic Bureau of the Ankuochun, and several interpreters. Captain Wu is a returned student from France and speaks French fluently.

## U.S. DEFENCE.

## LOST AIRSHIP TO BE REPLACED.

Washington, Jan. 7. The House of Representatives adopted an amendment to the Naval Supply Bill providing for the construction of an airship to replace the Shenandoah, and to cost \$4,500,000. The authorisation of a new airship has pleased the advocates of a "Big Navy," as the sum is in excess of the Budget estimates in which President Coolidge seeks to limit naval expenditure. The House of Representatives, however, have voted down other amendments aiming at increasing the strength of the Air Force.—Reuter's American Service.

The Danish unemployment census shows nearly 74,000 unemployed, that is, one workman out of every four.

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January 9th, 1927.  
1st Sunday After Epiphany.  
Holy Communion (8 a.m.)  
Sunday School 10 a.m.  
Matins (11 a.m.)  
Preacher: Rev. W. W. Rogers, M.A.  
Evensong (6 p.m.) Preacher: Rev. G. F. Stopford, C.F.  
Collections for the Church Missionary Association.  
A social gathering will be held in the Cathedral Hall after Evensong. A cordial welcome will be extended to all Service men and others. Music and Light Refreshment.

## ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

G.M.A. WEEK (Church Missionary Association).  
January 9, 1927.  
1st Sunday after Epiphany.  
Programme.  
8.15 a.m. Holy Communion.  
10 a.m. Young People's Service. Missionary address.  
11 a.m. Preacher: The Vicar.  
2.45 p.m. Sunday School. Missionary lessons.  
3 p.m. Bible Classes, Missionary lessons.  
6 p.m. Preacher: Rev. W. W. Rogers, M.A.  
7.15 p.m. Social Hour, for Service men and others.  
At both the 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. services the lessons will be read by a Chinese Christian worker, and the Blind girl's choir will sing an anthem.

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